

Gunman at large after CA shooting

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CUPERTINO, California (AP)

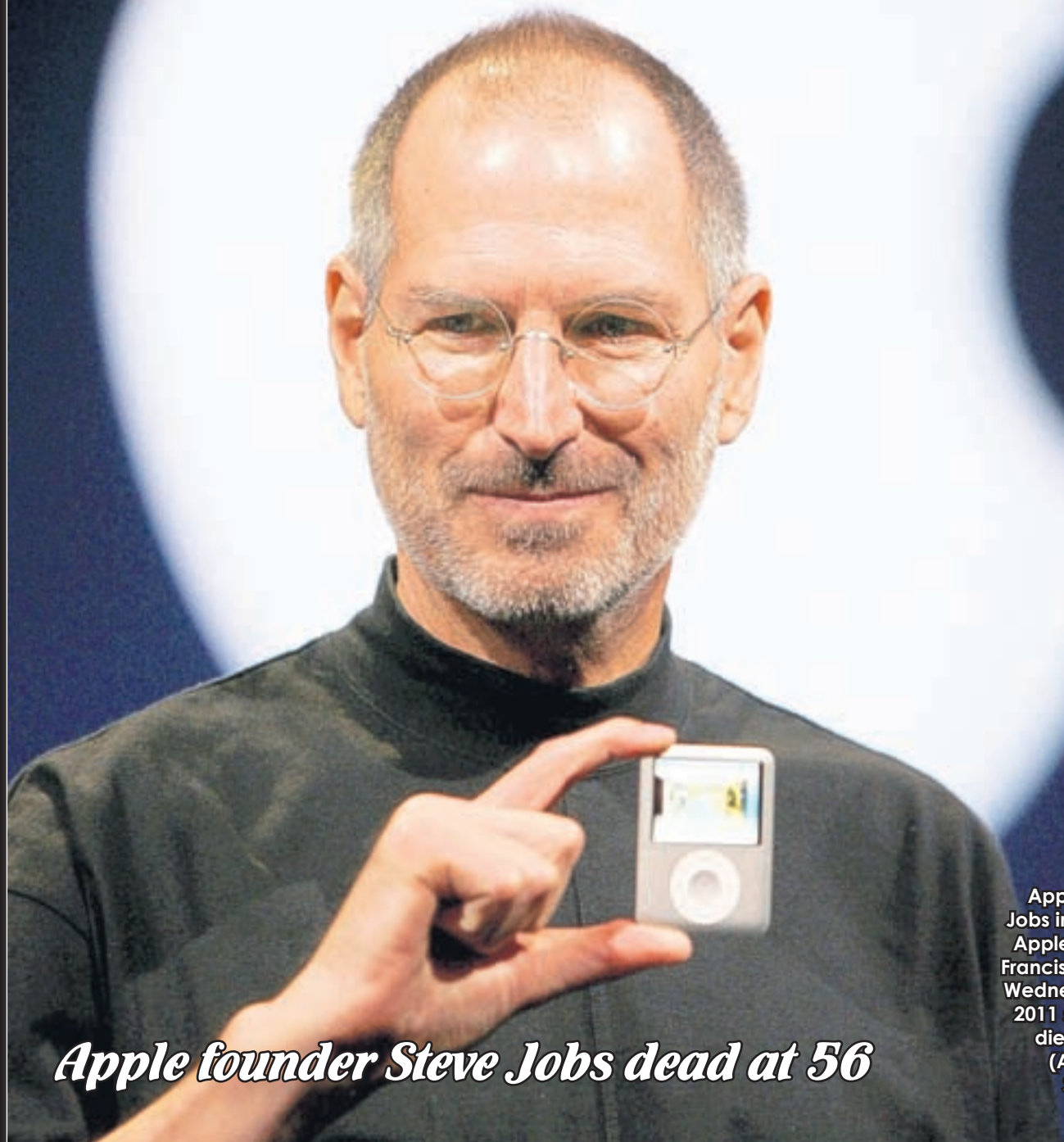
— Authorities went door to door with guns drawn Wednesday in search of a disgruntled employee they say opened fire at a California limestone quarry, killing three and wounding six, before possibly wounding



A woman who did not want to give her name reacts as she waits to hear about her father who works at the Lehigh Southwest Cement Company in Cupertino, Calif., Wednesday, Oct. 5, 2011. Authorities say a disgruntled employee opened fire at a meeting at the plant, killing two people and wounding six others. Santa Clara County Sheriff's spokesman Jose Cardoza said the shooting at Lehigh Southwest Cement Company occurred around 4 a.m. Wednesday.
(AP Photo/Paul Sakuma)

another woman in an attempted carjacking. Schools were on lockdown or closed in the Silicon Valley city of Cupertino and nearby Los Gatos as SWAT teams sought Shareef Allman, 47. Allman was at a routine safety meeting at the quarry at about 4:30 a.m. when he became disgruntled and left, sheriff's Lt. Rick Sung said. He then returned with a handgun and rifle and started shooting people. □

VISIONARY GONE



Apple founder Steve Jobs dead at 56

Apple CEO Steve Jobs introduces the Apple Nano in San Francisco. Apple on Wednesday, Oct. 5, 2011 said Jobs has died. He was 56.
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JORDAN ROBERTSON

AP Technology Writer
CUPERTINO, California (AP)

— Steve Jobs, the Apple founder and former CEO who invented and masterfully marketed ever-sleeker gadgets that transformed everyday technology, from the personal computer to the iPod and iPhone, has died. He was 56.

Apple announced his death without giving a specific cause.

"We are deeply saddened to announce that Steve Jobs passed away today," the company said in a brief statement. "Steve's brilliance, passion and energy were the source of countless innovations that enrich and improve all of our lives. The world is immeasurably better because of Steve." Jobs had battled cancer in 2004 and underwent a liver transplant in 2009 after taking a leave of absence for unspecified health problems. He took another leave of absence in January — his third since his health problems began



A message is displayed in front of Steve Jobs' home in Palo Alto, Calif., Wednesday, Oct. 5, 2011. Jobs, the Apple founder and former CEO who invented and masterfully marketed ever-sleeker gadgets that transformed everyday technology, from the personal computer to the iPod and iPhone, has died. He was 56.

(AP Photo/Paul Sakuma)

— and officially resigned in August.

Jobs started Apple with a high school friend in a Silicon Valley garage in 1976, was forced out a decade later and returned in 1997 to rescue the company. During his second stint, it grew into the most valuable technology company in the world. Cultivating

Apple's countercultural sensibility and a minimalist design ethic, Jobs rolled out one sensational product after another, even in the face of the late-2000s recession and his own failing health.

He helped change computers from a geeky hobbyist's obsession to a necessity of modern life at work and home, and in the process he upended not just personal technology but the cellphone and music industries. For transformation of American industry, he has few rivals.

Perhaps most influentially, Jobs in 2001 launched the iPod, which offered "1,000 songs in your pocket." Over the next 10 years, its white earphones and thumb-dial control seemed to become more ubiquitous than the wristwatch. In 2007 came the touch-screen iPhone, joined a year later by Apple's App Store, where developers could sell iPhone "apps" which made the phone a device not just for making calls but also for managing money, editing photos, playing games and social networking. □

Citing issues they share, Unions join N.Y. protest

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NEW YORK — Stuart Appelbaum, an influential union leader in New York City, was in Tunisia last month, advising the fledgling labor movement there, when he received a flurry of phone calls and emails alerting him to the rumblings of something back home. Protesters united under a provocative name, Occupy Wall Street, were gathering in a park in Lower Manhattan and raising issues long dear to organized labor.

And gaining attention for it. Appelbaum recalled asking a colleague over the phone to find out who was behind Occupy Wall Street — a bunch of hippies or perhaps troublemakers? — and whether the movement might quickly fade.

lot of people that the labor movement has been struggling to reach for years."

In fact, the unexpected success of Occupy Wall Street in leveling criticism of corporate America has stirred some soul-searching among labor leaders. They have noted with envy that the new movement has done a far better job, not only of capturing the public's interest but also of attracting young people.

Several union leaders complained that their own protests over the past two years had received little attention, although they had put far more people on the streets than Occupy Wall Street has. A labor rally in Washington in October 2010 drew more than 100,000 people, with little media coverage.

Behind the scenes in recent



Protesters from the Occupy Wall Street movement, the United Federation of Teachers and members of other unions at Foley Square in New York, on Oct. 5, 2011. On Wednesday, thousands of union members joined the protesters for a short march to Foley Square from their encampment in a park.

(Ozier Muhammad/The New York Times)

Breyer and Scalia testify at hearing

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WASHINGTON — Justices

like conflicts of interest and cameras in the courtroom. Justices rarely appear be-



Supreme Court Justices Stephen Breyer, left, and Antonin Scalia testify at a meeting of Senate Judiciary Committee in Washington, on Oct. 5, 2011. Justices Breyer and Scalia testified to the committee on the Constitutional role of judges.

(Stephen Crowley/The New York Times)

Stephen G. Breyer and Antonin Scalia of the Supreme Court crossed Constitution Avenue on Wednesday to testify before the Senate Judiciary Committee about the role of judges under the Constitution, offering unscripted responses on issues

fore the Senate panel after their confirmation hearings. The last such occasion was when Justice Anthony M. Kennedy testified about judicial security and independence in 2007.

Seizing on the unusual opportunity to question the

justices, senators set the agenda question by question. Sen. Richard J. Durbin, D-Ill., asked whether the Supreme Court should be required to follow the Judicial Conference Code of Conduct, which is currently used as "guidance." "Every asset has to be listed in depth, and it's all filed," Breyer said.

"I don't think that the life of the judge in terms of ethics is less restrictive than the life of any other member of the government."

The ethical conduct of the Supreme Court has been under growing scrutiny. Questions have been raised over Justice Clarence Thomas' appearances before Republican-backed groups and his acceptance of favors from a contributor in Texas, Harlan Crow, as well as over his wife, Virginia Thomas, and her job as a conservative advocate. □

So far, at least, it has not, and Wednesday, several prominent unions, struggling to gain traction on their own, made their first effort to join forces with Occupy Wall Street. Thousands of union members marched with the protesters from Foley Square to their encampment in nearby Zuccotti Park. "The labor movement needs to tap into the energy and learn from them," said Appelbaum, president of the Retail, Wholesale and Department Store Union. "They are reaching a lot of people and exciting a

days, union leaders have debated how to respond to Occupy Wall Street. In internal discussions, some voiced worries that if labor were perceived as trying to co-opt the movement, it might alienate the protesters and touch off a backlash.

Others said they were wary of being embarrassed by the far-left activists in the group who have repeatedly denounced the U.S. government. Despite those concerns, many leaders have decided to embrace Occupy Wall Street. □

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Missile system hits 2 targets over Hawaii

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Associated Press

HONOLULU (AP) — A missile defense system successfully intercepted two different targets at the same time during a test in Hawaii, the U.S. Missile Defense Agency said Wednesday. It was the first time the Terminal High Altitude Area Defense Element of the Ballistic Missile Defense System intercepted two ballistic mis-

siles over the ocean and launching a second target from a decommissioned helicopter carrier on the ocean. The successful test, which was conducted under simulated combat conditions, brings the system a step closer to actual deployment, said Richard Lehner, an agency spokesman in Washington, D.C. "Since we can expect missile attacks to include



A Terminal High Altitude Area Defense (THAAD) interceptor missile is launched during the system's first operational test, Wednesday, Oct. 5, 2011 at the Pacific Missile Range Facility in Kauai, Hawaii. The agency says that during the test, the system engaged and simultaneously intercepted two short range ballistic missiles. Officials will review data gathered from the test to evaluate the effectiveness of the system.

(AP Photo/U.S. Missile Defense Agency)

sile targets simultaneously, the agency said. It was designed to shoot down ballistic missiles in their last stage of flight. The test took place at the Pacific Missile Range Facility on Kauai just before 8 p.m. local time Tuesday. It involved dropping one target from an

airplane over the ocean and launching a second target from a decommissioned helicopter carrier on the ocean. The successful test, which was conducted under simulated combat conditions, brings the system a step closer to actual deployment, said Richard Lehner, an agency spokesman in Washington, D.C. "Since we can expect missile attacks to include

Cain favors book tour over campaign trail

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On a whirlwind trip through New York City this week that marked the beginning of nearly a monthlong book tour, Herman Cain chatted with the hosts of ABC's "The View," promoted his new memoir on Fox News, met local titans like Donald Trump, shared ideas with former Mayor Ed Koch and enjoyed power lunching in Manhattan. Cain, a contender for the Republican presidential nomination, did all but one thing — campaign. Not in the traditional meet-the-public and kiss-the-babies sense, anyway. And according to his public campaign calendar, where 19 of the 31 days of October are blank, there will not be much glad-handing in the immediate future. That is just fine with the former chief executive, who has recently surged to the top tier of candidates in early polls. The latest Quinnipiac University poll released Wednesday found former Gov. Mitt Romney and Cain essentially tied within the poll's margin of sampling error.

"I'm trying to run this campaign like a startup business, which means lean and mean," Cain said in an interview Tuesday, wearing his signature black cowboy hat. "There's a new sheriff in town!"

This could be Cain's moment. With Gov. Chris Christie of New Jersey taking a pass and Gov. Rick Perry of Texas struggling, the yearning for a candidate who can combine fiery conservative populism with con-

crete policy proposals has led a growing section of voters to embrace, or at least take a hard look at, Cain.

He has an eclectic, intriguing resume: chief executive of Godfather's Pizza, conservative radio host and chairman of the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas

and sales. "It provides some certainty to the engine of economic growth, which is a business sector — not the government! Nine, nine, nine!" (The crowd chanted along, "Nine, nine, nine!") But it is not clear that Cain has any particular plan to seize this moment, beyond using the attention to sell



Herman Cain, a Republican presidential candidate, speaks to reporters outside ABC studios in New York, Oct. 4, 2011. After winning a recent straw poll in Florida, it would seem that it is Cain's moment, but his public appearances have focused on his newly released book.

(Fred R. Conrad/The New York Times).

City, Mo. And Cain can stir up a crowd of conservative activists, as his recent victory at a Florida straw poll displayed. After hours of polite applause during the speeches of the other Republican candidates, the audience of several thousand exploded with enthusiasm during Cain's full-throated critique of U.S. political inaction.

"Throw out all of the current tax code because it is a mess that cannot be fixed. Throw that out!" he said, describing his plans for a flat tax of 9 percent on businesses, personal income

books. Like the other candidates vying to become credible alternatives to Romney and Perry, Cain is operating on a shoestring. He raised \$2 million last spring. More money is coming in, he said, and he has 40 staff members, mostly in southern states. Still, an adviser said the campaign had only four people working in Iowa, and there is no plan to change strategy. Many Republicans doubt this will be enough to launch Cain in the crucial early states, especially if he decides to avoid retail politics. □

Slurring Jackson aimed to build hospital for kids

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AP Special Correspondent
LOS ANGELES (AP) —

Six weeks before Michael Jackson died, his doctor recorded the semi-comatose superstar mumbling what might have been his farewell address to the world. In a slow, slurred voice, clearly under the influence of sedatives, Jackson spoke about leaving a performance legacy bigger than Elvis or The Beatles, and building a fabulous hospital for children with proceeds from his highly anticipated "This Is It" comeback concerts. "Elvis didn't do it. Beatles didn't do it. We have to be phenomenal."

can deal with it."

The full tape of the May 10, 2009, ramblings by Jackson was played for the first time Wednesday during the involuntary manslaughter trial of Dr. Conrad Murray. A portion of the recording was played last week during the prosecution's opening statement.

The more than four-minute audio recording was found on Murray's cell phone by forensic digital expert Stephen Marx. There was no indication why Murray made the recording.

With Murray murmuring agreement, Jackson referred to the children of the world as "angels" and said,



Drugs found in the home of pop star Michael Jackson by Los Angeles County coroner investigator Elissa Fleak sit on the prosecutions table after being introduced as evidence during Dr. Conrad Murray's trial in the death of Jackson in Los Angeles, Wednesday, Oct. 5, 2011.

(AP Photo/Mario Anzuoni, Pool)

Jackson is heard saying on the tape. Jackson, known for donating huge amounts to children's charities, said his vision was driven by his love of children. In his ramblings, he envisioned the hospital would be big enough to aid a million children, with a movie theater and game room. "That will be remembered more than my performances," he says. "My performances will be up there helping my children and always be my dream. I love them. I love them because I didn't have a childhood ... I feel their pain. I feel their hurt. I

"God wants me to do it. I'm gonna do it, Conrad."

Murray replied, "I know you would." And, as he had done long ago with his Neverland ranch, he spoke of a place to raise children's spirits. "They're sick because they're depressed," he said. The tape was played by prosecutors to show that Murray knew for weeks how Jackson was reacting to heavy sedatives the doctor was administering to help his patient sleep. Toward the end of the recording, there is a period of silence before Murray asks, "You OK?" □



Amanda Knox looks up as she talks to reporters, Tuesday, Oct. 4, 2011, in Seattle. Knox was freed Monday after an Italian appeals court threw out her murder conviction for the death of her British roommate, Meredith Kercher.

(AP Photo/Ted S. Warren)

For Knox: Is to decide how to tell her story

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Associated Press

SEATTLE (AP) — Now that she's reconnected with family and freedom, Amanda Knox is free to tell — and sell — her story. She was already getting offers Wednesday.

The former American exchange student could get a book deal that easily reaches seven figures — and help pay back her family the money they spent to overturn her murder conviction in the death of her roommate in Italy. Speaking fees could earn her \$50,000 a piece. Plus there are the movie rights. And with all the money comes the chance to counter the lingering suspicion of some people around the world that she might have had something to do with Meredith Kercher's death. It was a sentiment expressed Wednesday by an Italian judge who voted to overturn her conviction.

Her supporters, naturally, feel differently.

"The importance of her telling her story is to give a picture of hope to people, but also to correct the misperceptions of her, the mischaracterizations of her, of who she is as a person," said Dave Marriott, a publicist hired by the family in 2007.

"For her to tell her story will help people understand what a wonderful young woman she is," Marriott said. "She has a very heartfelt story to tell."

And that story so far has been fodder for the tabloids. In Europe, she was dubbed "Foxy Knoxy." In the U.S., she became a cause celebre. In the countless hours of TV footage and hundreds of stories, there's a lot of material that she will need to counter. Knox, 24, returned to her hometown of Seattle on Tuesday, a day after a court freed her and her former Italian boyfriend, Raffaele Sollecito.

She had been in custody since 2007, when the couple and another man were accused of killing Kercher, her British roommate, as part of a bizarre sex game. Her conviction was overturned after an independent review discredited DNA evidence presented in her first trial.

Despite that and what some saw as a far-fetched theory by prosecutors, suspicions remain in some quarters about how much she knew about the crime. Hundreds of young Italians jeered the acquittals outside the courtroom, yelling "Shame! Shame!"

And on Wednesday night, one of judges who served

on the appeals court jury, Claudio Pratillo Hellmann, stressed on state TV that the acquittals "resulted from the truth that was created in the trial."

"But the real truth could be different," he added. "They could also be responsible, but the proof isn't there."

Questions remained about some of Knox's behavior after her arrest. She reportedly turned cartwheels and did splits as she waited for police questioning. Investigators said she sat on Sollecito's lap, making faces and kissing him.

Knox confessed to having been at the apartment, covering her ears to drown out Kercher's screams, and later changed her story to say she was at Sollecito's apartment. She was convicted of wrongly implicating her boss, Congolese bar owner Diya "Patrick" Lumumba.

She tried to explain away those actions by saying she "tends to act a little silly" under stress. Knox claimed the statements she gave to police were a fantasy she constructed during a long interrogation in Italian — a language in which she was not yet fluent.

Bruce Merrin, a Las Vegas publicist who arranges appearances by high-profile speakers, said he's followed Knox's case closely. □

Sarah Palin says she will not run for president

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Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — Former Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin said Wednesday she will not run for president, leaving little doubt that the eventual Republican nominee will come from the current field of contenders. After months of leaving her fans guessing, Palin said in a statement that she and her husband Todd “devote ourselves to God, family and country.” She said her decision maintains that order. Palin sent the statement to supporters. She told conservative radio host Mark Levin

that she would not consider a third party candidacy because it would assure President Barack Obama's re-election.

Sen. John McCain plucked Palin from relative obscurity in 2008 by naming her as his running mate. She electrified Republican activists for a while after she delivered a well-received speech at the party's national convention. Palin later seemed overwhelmed by the national spotlight, faltering at times in televised interviews even when asked straightforward questions.

Palin's announcement Wednesday was much an-



Patsy Gilbert of Orlando, Fla., entertains Republican delegates by impersonating former Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin at the Florida Republican Party Presidency 5 Convention before a straw poll.
(AP Photo/John Raoux)

anticipated but not greatly surprising. Her popularity had plummeted in polls lately, even though she re-

mained a darling to many hard-core conservatives. Some Republicans felt she waited and teased too

long about a presidential candidacy. Some remained perplexed by her decision to quit her job as governor with more than a year left in her single term. Palin also angered some Americans with a defensive speech shortly after a Democratic congresswoman was gravely wounded in an Arizona shooting in January that killed six people.

Palin's announcement came one day after New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie said he would not run. Republican insiders say the field is set.

It includes former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney and Texas Gov. Rick Perry, whom party insiders see as the strongest contenders. □



In a March 12, 1993 file photo shows Omaima Nelson in court in Santa Ana, Calif. Nelson, who killed her newlywed husband and chopped and cooked his body parts over Thanksgiving weekend in 1991 is seeking release from a California prison. Nelson is set to appear before parole commissioners Wednesday at the Central California Women's Facility in Chowchilla where she has been serving a life sentence.

(AP Photo)

Wife who killed, cooked husband denied parole

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Associated Press

CHOWCHILLA, California (AP) — A woman who killed her newlywed husband and chopped and cooked his body parts over Thanksgiving weekend in 1991 was denied her second bid for parole Wednesday.

Parole commissioners rejected Egypt-born Omaima Nelson's request for freedom following a five-and-a-half-hour hearing at the Central California Women's Facility in Chowchilla, where she has been serving a life sentence.

Nelson, a former model and nanny, had not accepted responsibility for the slaying of William Nelson, nor completed educational or vocational programs while incarcerated that would help her lead a productive life outside prison, the board said.

She will not be eligible to seek parole again for 15 years — the maximum period she can be held without another hearing, the commissioners said.

Nelson was 23 years old when she was convicted of murdering her 56-year-old husband in a grisly killing that authorities compared to the fictional slayings of Hannibal Lecter. Prosecutors say Nelson stabbed her husband and likely plotted to steal from him as she had done with other middle-aged men. □



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NYPD spied on city's Muslim partners

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Associated Press
NEW YORK (AP) — The New York Police Department's intelligence squad secretly assigned an undercover officer to monitor a prominent Muslim leader even as he decried terrorism, cooperated with the police, dined with Mayor Michael Bloomberg and was the subject of a Pulitzer Prize-winning series by The New York Times about Muslims in America.

Sheikh Reda Shata was among those singled out for surveillance because of his "threat potential" and what the NYPD considered links to organizations associated with terrorism, despite having never been charged with any crime, according to secret police



Sheikh Reda Shata stands at his mosque, The Islamic Center of Monmouth County, in Middletown, N.J. The New York Police Department's intelligence squad secretly assigned an undercover officer to monitor a prominent Muslim leader even as he decried terrorism, cooperated with the police, dined with Mayor Michael Bloomberg and was the subject of a Pulitzer Prize-winning series by The New York Times about Muslims in America. (AP Photo/Mel Evans)

documents obtained by The Associated Press.

This was life in America for Shata: a government partner in the fight against terrorism and a suspect at the same time. During his time at the Islamic Center of Bay Ridge since 2002, he welcomed FBI agents to his mosque to speak to Muslims, invited NYPD officers for breakfast and threw parties for officers who were leaving the precinct. As police secretly watched Shata in 2006, he had breakfast and dinner with Bloomberg at Gracie Mansion and was invited to meet with Police Commissioner Raymond Kelly, Shata recalls. "This is very sad," Shata said after seeing his name in the NYPD file. "What is your feeling if you see this about people you trusted?"

The dichotomy between simultaneously being partner and suspect is common among some of New York's Muslims. Some of the same mosques that city leaders visited to hail their strong alliances with the Muslim community have also been placed under NYPD surveillance — in some cases infiltrated by undercover police officers and confidential informants. In April, more than 100 area imams publicly supported a rally to "oppose wars, condemn terrorism and fight Islamophobia." Of those, more than 30 were either identified by name or work in mosques included in the NYPD's listing of suspicious people and places in 2006. "The way things are playing out in New York does not paint a picture of partnership and of a conversa-

tion among equals," said Ramzi Kassem, a professor at the City University of New York School of Law. "It seems that city officials prefer hosting Ramadan banquets to engaging with citizens who wish to hold them to account. Spying on almost every aspect of community life certainly does not signal a desire to engage constructively."

The New York Times story about Shata, which won the 2007 Pulitzer Prize for feature writing, described his efforts to reconcile Muslim traditions with American life. Police documents from the same year the story was published paint a different picture. Shata, who emigrated from Egypt to the U.S. in 2002, is described by police as a "Tier One" person of interest. According to the police files, a person of interest is "an individual with threat potential based on their position at a particular location, links to an organization, overseas links and/or criminal history."

Police assigned an undercover officer and an informant to watch Shata personally, and two others were assigned to watch his mosque, according to the NYPD files. Mark Mershon, the FBI's senior agent in New York in 2006, said he has no recollection of Shata ever being under FBI investigation. A search of commonly used court and public record files show no evidence of any criminal record for Shata. "What did they find?" Shata asked through an interpreter at his current mosque in Monmouth County, New Jersey. □

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Nuclear agency urged to review US nuke fuel pools

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Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission should act immediately to improve the safety of pools containing radioactive waste stored at U.S. nuclear plants, an internal report released Wednesday said. The report by NRC staff elevates the importance of spent-fuel pools, saying current regulations do not require instruments measuring water levels to be operable in case of an accident. Water levels at spent-fuel pools were a principal issue after a March 11 earthquake and tsunami that crippled a nuclear plant in Japan. NRC Chairman Gregory Jaczko initially said a spent-fuel pool at the plant was dry, but Japanese officials sharply disputed that. NRC officials later acknowledged Jaczko spoke in error. □

After crash:

NY officials want helicopter ban

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Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — New York City politicians called for a ban on “non-essential” helicopter flights over the city Wednesday as investigators looked for clues to explain a crash that killed a British woman on holiday with her family.

“Yet another terrible tragedy involving a helicopter should send us a clear message in flashing neon lights,” U.S. Representative Jerrold Nadler said in a written statement with five state and city legislators.

“Sightseeing and nonessential helicopters are dangerous, unnecessary, and not worth it.”

Sonia Marra had been celebrating her 40th birthday on a surprise visit with family members whom she hadn’t seen in years.

The group’s sightseeing helicopter ride ended with an abrupt plunge Tuesday afternoon that left a family member and the friend in critical condition amid a massive rescue effort at the edge of midtown Manhattan.

Emergency crews arrived within seconds to find the



In this photo provided by the New York Police Department, divers work in the East River Tuesday, Oct. 4, 2011 in New York. A helicopter with five people aboard crashed into the East River on Tuesday afternoon after taking off from a launch pad on the riverbank, killing one passenger and injuring the others. New York Police Department divers pulled the dead woman from about 50 feet of water about an hour after the Bell 206 helicopter went down.

(AP Photo/New York Police Department)

helicopter upside-down in the murky river.

The pilot, Paul Dudley, and three passengers were bobbing in the water. New York Police Department divers pulled Marra from the water about 90 minutes later.

Investigators said Wednesday they had collected video of Tuesday afternoon’s crash and were studying the weather conditions and the helicopter’s navigation equipment.

Aviation trade groups said any restrictions on Manhattan’s three heliports in response would be premature because investigators are still trying to determine what caused the crash.

“You can’t offer a solution to a problem you don’t even understand yet,” said Matt Zucaro, president of Helicopter Association International, an advocacy group. □

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Afghan official: Karzai assassination plot foiled

AMIR SHAH

Associated Press

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP)

— Afghan intelligence officials said Wednesday that they had broken up a cell that plotted to kill President Hamid Karzai, arresting six people in Kabul whom they claimed were affiliated with al-Qaida and the Haqqani militant group.

Intelligence service spokesman Latifullah Mashal said that the cell included one of Karzai's bodyguards, as well as a professor at Kabul university and three college students.

Mashal described the cell as the "most sophisticated and educated group in Kabul," and said that it had assisted Pakistani militants sent to the Afghan capital to carry out terror attacks.

He did not say when they were arrested.

He said the group, which also allegedly planned attacks in Kabul, the United States and Europe, was recruited by an Egyptian and a Bangladeshi based in Pakistan.

Afghan officials have been increasingly vocal in publicly



Afghanistan's President Hamid Karzai smiles as he gets into a waiting vehicle after his arrival at the airport in New Delhi, India. Afghan intelligence officials said Wednesday that they had broken up a cell that plotted to kill President Karzai, arresting six people in Kabul whom they claimed were affiliated with al-Qaida and the Haqqani militant group.

(AP Photo/ Mustafa Quraishi)

accusing Pakistan and its ISI intelligence agency of maintaining ties with militants, including the Haqqani group. On Tuesday, they claimed that Pakistani officials had advance knowledge of the Sept. 20 assassination of former Afghan President Burhanuddin Rabbani. Pakistan has denied the

charges, but the accusations have further strained relations between the two nations that share a long border.

The Haqqani militant group, a lethal threat to U.S.-led coalition forces, has been blamed by U.S. intelligence officials and others for a number of high-profile attacks in Kabul in recent years, including hotel bombings and the assault last month on the U.S. Embassy.

Mashal identified the two recruiters as an Egyptian named Sayifullah and a man from Bangladesh named Abdullah, who were based in Miram Shah, the capital of Pakistan's North Waziristan

region, where the Haqqani group and other militants operate with relative freedom.

Mashal said the six Afghans were recruited "to carry out suicide attacks in Kabul, plan and coordinate bigger international attacks in the U.S. and parts of Europe and a luxury hotel in Kabul."

"They also were responsible for recruiting one of the key security guards of President Karzai's protective services. They had a plan to assassinate President Karzai maybe during his travels or trips to the provinces," the Afghan intelligence spokesman said. He did not disclose details about attacks the cell reportedly planned in the United States or Europe. □

Libya fighters loot Gadhafi tribe

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Associated Press

ABU HADI, Libya (AP) — After capturing this hamlet, a center for Moammar Gadhafi's tribe, revolutionary fighters have gone on a vengeance spree, looting

and burning homes and making off with gold, furniture and even automobiles.

Other fighters are trying to persuade them to stop and have sought to protect the tribesmen of the

ousted leader. As a result, the rampage in Abu Hadi, a suburb of Gadhafi's home city of Sirte, has underscored a geographical split among the forces loyal to Libya's new interim government.

Most of those looting homes are unorganized, volunteer bands of gunmen from the city of Misrata, to the west, which was brutalized in a bloody siege by Gadhafi's forces during the nearly 7-month uprising against his rule. Trying to rein them in are revolutionaries from eastern Libya, which shook off Gadhafi's rule early and have since had time to organize their forces.

"The Misrata fighters came into the revolution with a sense of bitterness and anger," Breiga al-Maghrabi, an eastern fighter, said Wednesday. "They want revenge for what happened to them in Misrata."

"Look — it's Ali Baba," he told an Associated Press reporter as he cruised streets of Abu Hadi in his pickup truck.

He pointed at a residential street where a number of revolutionaries walked out of a home with belongings in their arms. The looters loaded a white Chrysler on the back of a truck and drove away with it. □

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War crimes by both sides in Ivory Coast

LAURA BURKE
Associated Press

ABIDJAN, Ivory Coast (AP)

— An international rights group says that 13 military leaders from both sides of Ivory Coast's political divide committed war crimes during months of postelection violence in the West African nation, and called on the government to prosecute all suspects equally. Human Rights Watch also warned in a report Thursday that the government's failure to charge anyone loyal to President Alassane Ouattara over their acts during the six months of violence was setting the stage for "victor's justice."

Ivory Coast's justice minister praised part of the report, but said there is no proof to support charges that

officials loyal to Ouattara committed crimes.

Human Rights Watch says the military leaders led troops to execute civilians and rape women during the violence that followed former strongman Laurent Gbagbo's refusal to cede power after losing a November poll.

The New York-based group says the group of 13 comprises eight military leaders from Gbagbo's regime, four from Ouattara's side, and one who was not formally aligned with either side.

The four military leaders alleged to have carried out war crimes on Ouattara's side are still commanding troops. The report says Ouattara promoted one of them, Commander Cherif



Farmer Issiaka Ouedraogo arranges cocoa beans, laid out to dry on reed mats, on a cocoa farm outside the village of Fangolo, near Duekoue, Ivory Coast. An international rights group says that 13 military leaders from both sides of Ivory Coast's political divide committed war crimes during months of postelection violence in the West African nation, and called on the government to prosecute all suspects equally.

(AP Photo/Rebecca Blackwell, File)

Ousmane, as second-in-command for presidential security. The International Criminal Court received authorization earlier this week to open an investigation into possible war crimes in Ivory Coast. The United Nations and other rights groups have said both sides committed violations. Justice Minister Jeannot Ahoussou Kouadio praised the report but questioned the allegations against those loyal to Ouattara. When asked about the report's claim that forces loyal to Ouattara could have also killed civilians he said: "They have witness statements, but prove it." He also said Ousmane "fought on the good side of the conflict" and credited him with opposing pro-Gbagbo militias. □

US drone kills 5 militants in Yemen

AHMED AL-HAJ
Associated Press

SANAA, Yemen (AP) — A U.S. drone strike killed five al-Qaida-linked militants in southern Yemen on Wednesday, Yemeni officials said.

An official, who spoke on condition of anonymity according to military rules, said the dawn strike targeted militant hideouts in the al-Arqoub area east of Zinjibar, capital of Abyan province. Islamic radicals seized control of Zinjibar in May, taking advantage of a wider uprising against President Ali Abdullah Saleh to establish a militant-ruled enclave.

Government forces and mutinous military units

who oppose each other but consider al-Qaida the greater enemy have fought their way back into the city, but continue to suffer casualties to militant attacks.

U.S. drones regularly hit targets in Yemen. American-born al-Qaida propagandist Anwar al-Awlaki was killed by a drone on Sept. 30 in the north of the country in what American officials said was a major blow to the militant organization. Officials said that Wednesday's drone strike in Abyan killed 5 and injured seven. Yemeni officials also reported other clashes around Abyan province in the past two days that killed nine people. The office of Vice President Abed Rab-

bo Mansour Hadi said that three foreigners, two Pakistanis and a Chechen, were killed in Abyan on Tuesday. Foreign fighters commonly turn up in al-Qaida's ranks in Yemen and other countries.

Military officials said two Yemeni soldiers were killed Tuesday by a roadside bomb and two others in fighting with al-Qaida militants, also east of Zinjibar. A second roadside bomb detonated by remote control killed two civilian anti-al-Qaida activists Wednesday near a checkpoint in the town of Lawder northeast of Zinjibar, said Jihad Hafeez, a member of an anti-al-Qaida coordinating committee said. □

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Somali militants vow to up attacks after bombing

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Associated Press

MOGADISHU, Somalia (AP)

— Al-Qaida-linked militants threatened more terror attacks that will “increase

Shabab fighters melted away from Mogadishu amid a pro-government offensive, and showed that the insurgents remain a severe threat.

“At this time, when the



A wounded man stands at the scene of an explosion in Mogadishu, Somalia, Tuesday, Oct. 4, 2011. A rescue official says at least 55 people were killed after a car laden with explosives blew up in front of the Ministry of Education in the Somali capital of Mogadishu. The al-Qaida-linked militant group al-Shabab immediately claimed responsibility for the attack on a website it uses, after more than a month of relative calm in Mogadishu.

(AP Photo/Mohamed Sheikh Nor)

day by day” after a suicide bomber killed 72 people. Mourners transported coffins atop cars to funerals for those who perished in al-Shabab’s deadliest bomb attack in Somalia.

A truck loaded with drums of fuel exploded Tuesday at the gate of a building housing several government ministries in a busy street in the capital where tens of thousands of famine victims have fled. The attack came more than a month after most al-

country is in the midst of a worsening humanitarian crisis, the terrorists could not have attacked the Somali people at a worst time,” Information Minister Abdulkadir Hussein Mohamed said Wednesday.

Al-Shabab spokesman Ali Mohamud Rage identified the suicide bomber as Somali student Bashar Abdulahi Nur. He said the attack was a warning to those who thought the group had left Mogadishu for good in August. □

Innocents duped into drug smuggling

DANE SCHILLER

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At first, their stories sound like borderland smugglers’ lies, their defense among

In exchange for a free ride on the bus, which was owned by a relative, he ushered two saddles and other cargo through

lived in Ciudad Juarez and worked across the border in El Paso.

“That was the worst day of my life;



In a movie that portrays innocents who get involved in drug smuggling, or “muling,” seventeen year old Maria (played by Catalina Sandino Moreno) is fired from her job, and with a total lack of perspective of finding a new job, she decides to accept the offer to work as a drug mule, flying to USA with sixty-two pellets of cocaine in her stomach.

the oldest in the book: I didn’t do it. But even prosecutors and a federal judge concede that law-abiding travelers are unwittingly used to smuggle narcotics across the Texas-Mexico border. When their vehicles or bags are searched on entering the United States, inspectors find thousands of dollars worth of illegal narcotics that the travelers can’t explain.

Just recently, an indictment was dropped against Jose Molina, a bus-riding Mexican citizen headed to Houston.

U.S. customs. But hidden inside the saddles was \$20,000 worth of cocaine. Out in El Paso, at least five people - all caught under strikingly similar scripts at the same bridge over the Rio Grande during a 15-month period - were arrested, including one convicted by a jury and two who pleaded guilty in deals to face less prison time.

Another three were arrested in Mexico, including an elementary school teacher, a doctor and a medical assistant, who, like the others,

it was like a nightmare,” Ricardo Magallanes, an El Paso college student, recalled of his arrest after a U.S. inspector found 112 pounds of pot stuffed in duffle bags in his car trunk. “I couldn’t understand what was happening or how the bags could have gotten in my car,” said Magallanes, a U.S. citizen. “I was wondering if I was going to spend years and years in prison.” Later, in a most unusual twist of justice, their U.S. convictions were tossed out thanks to a skeptical federal judge. □

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Conservationists sue to block TransCanada pipeline

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Associated Press
OMAHA, Nebraska (AP)
 — U.S. officials illegally allowed a Canadian company to begin preparing

from the oil sands of Alberta, Canada, to Texas Gulf Coast refineries. TransCanada spokesman Shawn Howard said the claims made in the lawsuit are false and that it mowed

the tar sands, the U.S. would begin a dramatic increase in the burning of carbon-intensive fossil fuels at a time when it should be trying to reduce the release of gases that contribute to

public and sends a message to Nebraska that their concerns don't matter. If the State Department was truly doing its job, this lawsuit wouldn't be necessary." By mowing and transplanting an endangered species, TransCanada has already created environmental damage, said Bruce McIntosh, staff ecologist with the Western Nebraska Resources Council. "It's not just clearing. It's

destruction," said McIntosh, who recently flew over the mowed swaths to document the razing. He also said the attempt to move the beetles, which have been on the endangered species list since 1983, would result in some dying. The beetles are now found in only six states: Nebraska, Rhode Island, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Kansas, and Arkansas, according to University of Nebraska-Lincoln entomologists. □



Workers wearing anti-OPEC shirts listen during the U.S. State Department's open hearing for the proposed Keystone XL Pipeline at the Port Arthur Civic Center in Port Arthur, Texas, Monday, Sept. 26, 2011. If constructed, the planned pipeline would connect TransCanada tar sands to refineries in Port Arthur and Houston. Hundreds attended the event to show support of the jobs that the pipeline's construction would bring to the area.

(AP Photo/The Enterprise, Guiseppe Barranco)

the route for its proposed 1,700-mile (2,735-kilometer)-long oil pipeline from western Canada to Texas, even though the project hasn't gained final government approval, three conservationist groups contend in a lawsuit filed Wednesday. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service should not have allowed TransCanada Corp. to begin clearing a 100-mile (161-kilometer) corridor through northern Nebraska grasslands because the U.S. State Department hasn't signed off on the Keystone XL pipeline project, the groups argue in their lawsuit filed in federal court in Omaha. TransCanada was allowed to mow down delicate native grasses and to relocate an endangered species living there, the American burying beetle, they say. The plaintiffs, who also include the Western Nebraska Resources Council and Friends of the Earth, are seeking to stop the preparations for the proposed pipeline, which would carry an estimated 700,000 barrels of crude per day

some grass as part of efforts to protect and move some of the protected beetles. In every case where mowing was done, the company received permission from landowners, Howard said. Howard stressed that mowing doesn't constitute construction. Pipeline supporters, including some business groups and unions, say it would double the capacity of an existing pipeline from Canada and make the U.S. less reliant on Middle East oil. They also say it would create jobs in the states it would pass through — Montana, South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas. In Nebraska, the pipeline has drawn opposition from an unlikely coalition of farmers, ranchers, landowners, environmental groups and other activists who fear it will leak and contaminate the Ogallala aquifer, which supplies drinking and irrigation water to eight states. Some climatologists have also argued that by increasing production from

global warming. Earlier this week, opponents of the pipeline released emails and other internal documents that they say demonstrate an overly cozy relationship between State Department officials and TransCanada. The groups asked President Barack Obama to intervene and block the pipeline project. In their lawsuit, the conservationist groups say the decision to allow TransCanada to begin preparing the proposed route for its pipeline shows that federal officials aren't committed to the full, legally mandated review. State Department officials held public meetings last week in the states the pipeline would pass through, and have defended the process as fair. "The State Department has further confirmed that it is running a corrupt review process by giving TransCanada a green light to begin construction," said Erich Pica, president of Friends of the Earth. "It makes a mockery of the

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In a Maine island house, working past what's wrong

JOYCE WADLER

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PRETTY MARSH, Maine – There is always a box. It may be the one that the cancer specialists Dr. Lowell E. Schnipper and Hester Hill Schnipper deal with

on Mount Desert Island, so breathtaking that after some due diligence to see what changes might be made, they bought it. They found a designer, George Gekas, who understood that it was not

the way the stock market is going, that's a good thing, because it would have vanished anyway. And then, literally, we've been coming here for 20 years." Lowell Schnipper later expanded on this.

thing is."

They are a modern blended family, both previously married, with five adult children who range in age from 41 (his son, Merritt) to 31 (her daughter, Julia), and as Hester Schnipper likes to say, five and seven-ninths grandchildren. (The newest is expected Dec. 1.)

Lowell Schnipper, who is 67, was born in New York City. His father was a draftsman; his mother tended to the accounts of a small chain of toy stores. He was inspired to go into medicine by his grandfather, who was not a doctor – he was a garment worker – but who revered them.

"The story goes that while pushing the 2-year-old version of me in a stroller he whispered in my ear, 'Kid, you are going to be a doctor,'" Schnipper said. "I can't swear it happened that way, but there it is. That which he respected the most is the mold into which I poured my energies, and here I am."

Schnipper married at 20,

Hester Schnipper's father and grandfathers were all West Point men, so it seemed natural to her, at 18, to marry a West Point man. She gathered college credits as she followed her husband from post to post, getting a bachelor's from the University of Maryland's Far East division, in Tokyo, and a master's from Simmons College School of Social Work in Boston. Along the way, she and her husband had two daughters and eventually divorced. When she was offered a position doing oncology social work at Beth Israel in 1979, she said, it felt as if a dream opportunity had fallen in her lap.

And no, the couple does not find working with cancer patients depressing. Quite the opposite.

"It makes you so aware of the existential realities in life, helps to crystallize its wonder and to be continuously aware of its uncertainties," Lowell Schnipper said. "If you watch and listen carefully



The vacation home of Dr. Lowell Schnipper and Hester Hill Schnipper on Mount Desert Island, Maine. Faced with strict zoning rules that did not allow them to increase the footprint or height of their house, the couple transformed it from a dark cabin overlooking a pond into a bright three-bedroom home.

(Tony Cenicola/The New York Times)

routinely (she, having had breast cancer twice, at very close range): the mortal box, which may be used for exultation or despair. Your time here is finite, make of it as much as you can.

Or the box may be a more workaday sort, which Lowell Schnipper, chief of hematology and oncology at Beth Israel Deaconess Cancer Center in Boston, and Hester Schnipper, chief of oncology social work at Beth Israel, encountered on a rainy day a little more than a year ago: a small, dark, two-story cabin made of barn wood that, they would later tell friends, resembled an oversize outhouse.

It, too, was boxed in by constraints, severe ones as dwellings go. Regulations forbade expanding not only its footprint, which was just 540 square feet on the first floor, but its height as well. Even adding a deck was not permitted. But the couple found the secluded property, on a tidal lake called Goose Marsh Pond,

the size of the box that matters, but what you did with it. Without increasing the volume of the box – and by actually cutting into it in some places – he turned the house into a light-filled space. When the tide is out, you can spot herons and kingfishers poking about in the mud flats through the floor-to-ceiling windows, and when the tide is in, you feel as if you are on a ship.

Last weekend, the couple was up from their home in Concord, Mass., dressed in weekend fleece and jeans, and happily awaiting a visit from Lowell Schnipper's son and his family. Did having cancer twice – the shadow of the mortal box – affect their decision to buy the house in the first place? the couple was asked.

"Of course," said Hester Schnipper, 62. "I'm probably getting better about not delaying what I feel is important. And certainly getting a little easier about spending money. Although



The sitting area inside the vacation home of Dr. Lowell Schnipper and Hester Hill Schnipper on Mount Desert Island, Maine, Sept. 30, 2011.

(Tony Cenicola/The New York Times)

"It wasn't 'Breast cancer – let's buy a house,'" he said. "We've spent our life caring for people with mortal illness. Even though I haven't yet had cancer, it makes me quite aware of how transitory the whole

while in medical school, at the State University of New York Downstate College of Medicine. He trained at the Yale-New Haven Hospital and the National Cancer Institute, had three children and later divorced.

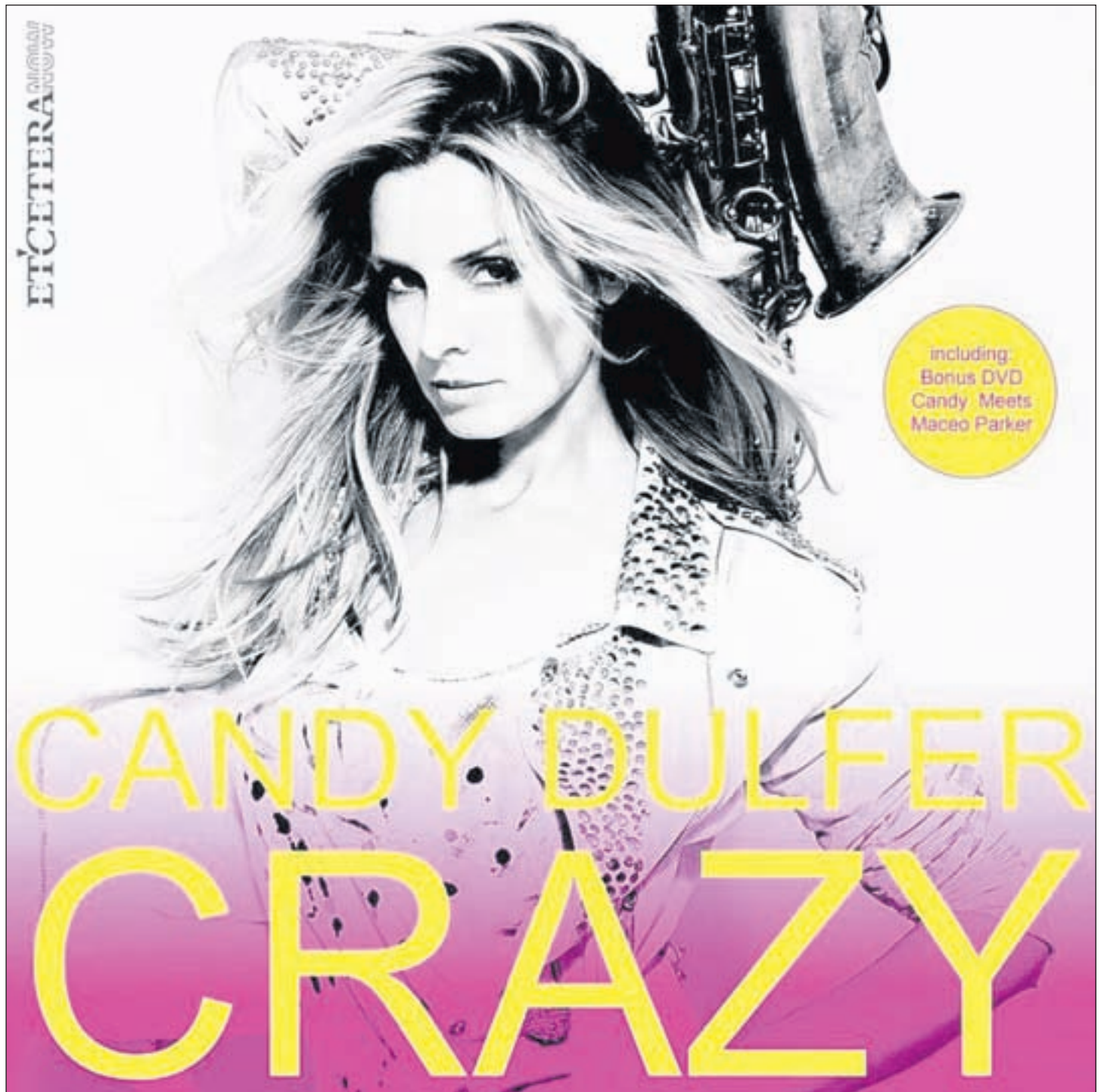
to your patients, you are always living your life a little closer to the edge."

Hester Schnipper has published two books about cancer and writes a blog called Living With Breast Cancer. □



Black Eyed Peas' Printz Board on Aruba with Candy Dulfer

ORANJESTAD - Saturday night, on the second night of the Caribbean Sea Jazz Festival at Cas di Cultura Plaza, sax player Candy Dulfer will be one of the main performers for the evening. Late Wednesday the Caribbean Sea Jazz Festival organizers received a great news that it is confirmed that famous producer Printz Board will be on stage together with Candy Dulfer. Printz Board is one of the producers and musical director of the famous pop group The Black Eyed Peas. Recently Printz was responsible for producing Candy Dulfer's new album titled "Crazy". Out of the twelve tracks on this album Board produced a total of 7. The new album has just been released a few days ago. The collaboration of Candy's sax and the music of Printz Board have created a unique sound. Printz will be performing alongside Candy Dulfer. This is a great opportunity specially for the youth of Aruba to attend and see this musical genius. The festival starts on Friday night and continues on Saturday Night. Doors open at 6pm. Friday night organizers have lined up: Angie Stone, Eddie Palmieri, Tango Extremo and the local bands. On Saturday night Candy Dulfer feat Printz Board, Raul Midon & Richard Bona, Cosy Cotton and the local bands will perform. Tickets are available at Plaza Bookshop, Cliffix, Superfood, Moomba Beach, Cas di Cultura and CD's & More. □



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ORANJESTAD - Recently Aruba received the visit of a group of travel agents from Brazil for an educational famtrip, the agents come from different cities of the country and cover a vast majority of the city of Sao Paulo, they were accompanied by Ms. Beatiz Yumi Santis from ATA Brazil and Mr. Alex Rando rep-

resenting Avianca. The group was hosted by the Holiday Inn Sun Spree Resort and transported by De palm Tours. Some of the companies they represent are Tainiks Tour operator, Bancorbras Turismo, Turnet turismo, New Age tour operator, Aires Operadora, RP Viagem & Turismo and Condor Turismo. Together

with Mr. Ernest Giel from the Aruba Tourism Authority they have visited most of the Aruban Resorts, Malls, downtown shopping areas and attractions. They were very impressed with everything Aruba has to offer to its visitors and are looking forward to send a great number of Brazilian Visitors to Aruba. □

Westin's superstar associates honored



PALM BEACH – Recently, the Brand Champions of the Month for July and August for the Westin Resort & Casino, Aruba were announced during a luncheon held in the resort's Palm Beach Ballroom. Associates and management, there to show their support for the nominees representing the Heart of the House, the Front of the House, and the resort's

Palm Beach Casino, attended the event. All those nominated represent Westin's core values, and were tapped by management for their outstanding performances within their respective departments. The following winners were announced for the month of July: Front of the House--Hubert Maduro, Luggage Attendant; Heart of the

House--Dolores Koolman, Steward; Palm Beach Casino--Maximo Werleman, Bartender. The winners for August were: Front of the House--Mauvalyn Hutchinson, Bon Bini Hostess; Heart of the House--Nora Cruz, In-room Dining; Palm Beach Casino--Danilo Hernandez, Slot Attendant. Pictured here are nominees and winners. Congratulations to all! □



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Tierra del Sol – The golf tournament unfolding over the past weekend at Tierra del Sol Golf Course, dedicated to the wellbeing of stray dogs and cats and yielded over Awg 9,000, reports the elated Golf Professional Adam Williamson. The money raised was donated to Cas Animal currently looking for funding designed to shelter over 300 neglected animals. The winners of the event, with holes sponsored by RBT Bank, PWC, the General Store, Playa Linda & Kia Motors, received prizes sponsored by The Hyatt Regency, the Radisson Aruba Resort Casino & Spa, the Westin Resort Aruba, Colombian Emeralds International, Red Sail Sports and Body & Soul Spa, at Tierra del Sol. Event food sponsors included Matthews Beachside restaurant, Mulligan's Golf Café and Bar, as well as the Promenade, Papiamento, Chalet Swiss, and Aqua Grill restaurants. Pictured here winners, sponsors and golfers at the successful event. □



Woods eager for latest return to golf

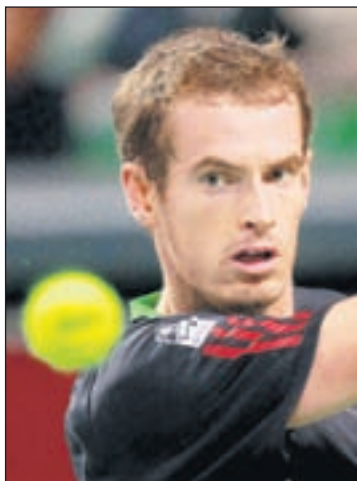
Tiger Woods signs autographs for fans during the pro-am at the Frys.com Open golf tournament, Wednesday, Oct. 5, 2011 in San Martin, Calif.

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Andy Murray of Britain returns the ball to Marcos Baghdatis of Cyprus during their match in the Japan Open men's tennis tournament in Tokyo, Japan, Wednesday, Oct. 5, 2011.

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Andy Murray reaches 2nd round at Japan

TOKYO (AP) — Andy Murray overcame an early break in the third set to beat Marcos Baghdatis of Cyprus 7-5, 2-6, 6-4 Wednesday and reach the second round of the Japan Open.

Murray trailed 3-1 in the final set, but he then held serve and soon broke back to level the score at 3-3 at a covered Ariake Coliseum. With rain falling from the morning, play on the outer courts was suspended.

"He played well under the conditions. It took me longer to find the range," Murray said. "The hardest thing for me always is changing from playing outdoors to indoors."

Murray, who won last week's Thailand Open, struggled in the second set as the unseeded Baghdatis used a strong backhand and some clever drop shots to take the upper hand after losing the opening set.

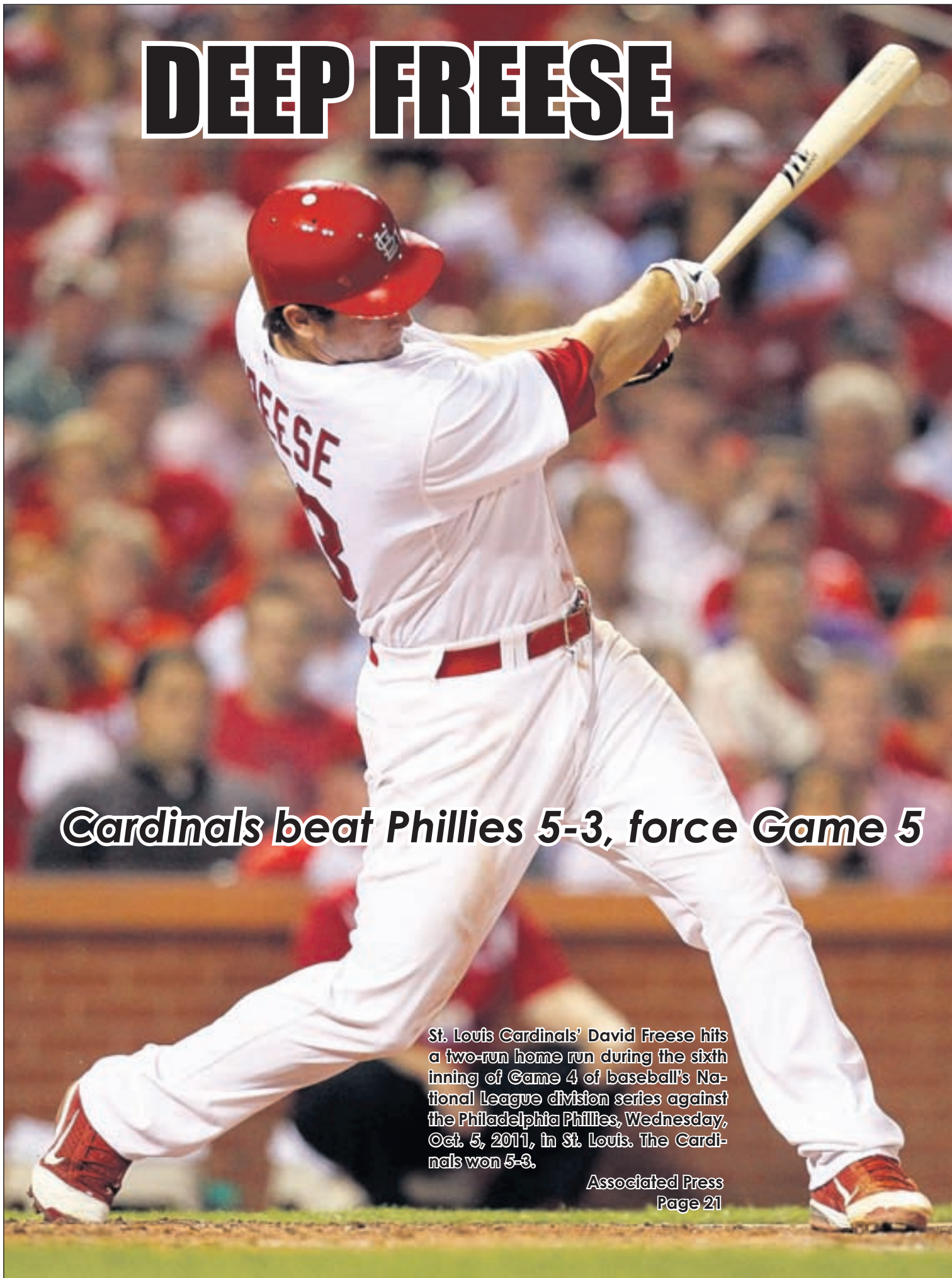
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DEEP FREESE

Cardinals beat Phillies 5-3, force Game 5

St. Louis Cardinals' David Freese hits a two-run home run during the sixth inning of Game 4 of baseball's National League division series against the Philadelphia Phillies, Wednesday, Oct. 5, 2011, in St. Louis. The Cardinals won 5-3.

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Vick: time to move past 'Dream Team' label

By ROB MAADDI

AP Pro Football Writer

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Humbled by an awful start, the Philadelphia Eagles are ready to bury that "Dream Team" label.

The defending NFC East champions are 1-3 in a season that began with Super Bowl aspirations. That's their reality.

"I think the 'Dream Team' — that word is dead now," quarterback Michael Vick said Wednesday. "You can't talk 'Dream Team' anymore. Maybe it put pressure on some players, maybe it didn't. But I think just the fact that it was lingering around and people were talking about it creates a sense of pressure.

"So, it's over with now. We're one of the teams that has to scratch and kick from the bottom now and try to figure out how we're going to get ourselves back to a position where we can compete with the best teams in this league."

The "Dream Team" notion was started by Vince Young, who signed a one-year deal to be Vick's backup on July 29. That capped a whirlwind two-day span in which the Eagles acquired three Pro Bowl play-



Philadelphia Eagles quarterback Michael Vick (7) hits his throwing hand on the wrist of San Francisco 49ers defensive end Justin Smith (94) during a pass in the first half of an NFL football game Sunday, Oct. 2, 2011 in Philadelphia.

ers on defense: cornerback Dominique Rodgers-Cromartie and Nnamdi Asomugha and defensive end Jason Babin.

When Young arrived at training camp a day later, he was asked about Philadelphia's new acquisitions. "Dream Team. From Nnamdi and Cromartie, and from Jason to myself, I know they're going to do some more things," he said. "It's beautiful to see where we're trying to go. I'm all for it."

Team owner Jeffrey Lurie, coach Andy Reid and oth-

ers tried to downplay that comment, saying Young was out of line. But the media ran with it.

"I don't know what the theory was behind it," Vick said. "Obviously we all know that it surfaced, and that term was lingering, and we just have to deal with it. So now it's just over and done with, now we can focus on being the Philadelphia Eagles and playing good hard football."

The Eagles weren't done after signing Young. They added defensive tackle Cullen Jenkins, running

back Ronnie Brown, wide receiver Steve Smith and several other free agents. So far, the moves haven't paid off.

"We all have talent," Brown said. "At 1-3, that's not where we want to be. No more buying into this 'Dream Team' stuff. Everybody has to take ownership and do whatever we need to get better and go get a win."

Philadelphia visits Buffalo (3-1) on Sunday. These aren't the same Bills, who've had just one winning season since 1999.

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"We know as a team when we look at film that we see we are one play away here or one play there," Eagles guard Todd Herremans said. "We could be so good.

We should be. We're going to be. It's time to wrap it all up and do it."

After blowing a 20-point lead in a 24-23 loss to San Francisco — their third straight fourth-quarter collapse — many players spent the past two off days at the team's practice facility. They watched film, worked out and tried to figure out ways to get out of their funk.

"I was encouraged by the number of guys who were in here the last couple of days," Reid said. "When they didn't have to be here, they were here.

I'm very fortunate as a head coach to have guys that want to change, and coaches that want to change. The coaches were here, obviously, late last night, and there are a lot of head coaches that might be sitting in this seat that probably can't say that, but I've got guys that want to get better, and coaches that want to get better, and that's a good start." □

Seattle wins 3rd straight U.S. Open Cup beating Chicago

TIM BOOTH

AP Sports Writer

SEATTLE (AP) — The Seattle Sounders won the U.S. Open Cup for the third straight year by beating the Chicago Fire 2-0 on Tuesday.

The opening goal came in the 78th minute. Chicago goalkeeper Sean Johnson made a diving save on a header from a corner, but the ball fell to Fredy Montero, who slid it into the net, delighting the record crowd of 35,615 — the largest ever for any game in the competition.

Oswaldo Alonso sealed the win with a breakaway goal in the final minute of stoppage time.

Seattle is the first club in

more than 40 years to win three straight titles in the oldest competition in American football.

The victory will likely mean another berth in the CONCACAF Champions League as well for Seattle. The Sounders have advanced to the quarterfinal round in this year's CCL.

While Seattle dominated the competition in recent seasons, Chicago wasn't unfamiliar with Open Cup success.

The Fire owned four Open Cup titles before Tuesday, the last coming in 2006. Interim Fire coach Frank Klopas scored the winning goal when Chicago beat Columbus for the title in 1998.

It was Montero's second Open Cup final goal, scoring one in 2009 in Washington when the Sounders collected the first of their three trophies with a 2-1 win over D.C. United. Montero also scored the only goal in Seattle's semifinal victory over Dallas in late August.

Montero nearly gave Seattle the lead just before halftime, beating the goalkeeper but not the post.

Mike Fucito was also denied by the post early in the second half. Lamar Neagle's flick header found Fucito's foot and he was able to chip a shot over Johnson, only to see it hit the far post and bounce away.

Chicago's best chance in the first half came in the



Seattle Sounders FC goalkeeper Kasey Keller holds the U.S. Open Cup and makes the number three with his glove as he is cheered on by Sounders' Oswaldo Alonso, right, Tuesday, Oct. 4, 2011, in Seattle after the Sounders beat the Chicago Fire 2-0 to win the U.S. Open Cup for the third year in a row.

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39th minute when Marco Pappa's left-footed shot from distance deflected off a Sounders defender and Seattle goalkeeper Kasey Keller was only just able to adjust and grab the ball.

Tuesday's victory adds another notch in a big few

weeks for the Sounders, where they advanced in the CCL, clinched a MLS playoff spot for the third straight season and claimed the Cascadia Cup in their regional rivalry with MLS newcomers Vancouver and Portland. □

Andy Murray

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"It was very tough. It was very long," Murray said. "I did a lot of running in the first two sets."

Playing primarily from the baseline, the Briton converted at crucial points as Baghdatis appeared to tire and committed several unforced errors.

Baghdatis and Murray played earlier this year in Rotterdam, and the Cypriot won in straight sets on a hard court. Baghdatis still holds a 3-2 edge in five matches against Murray.

"He is a tough guy to play against," Murray said. "He has a big serve. He can hurt you in many ways on the court."

Earlier, Dmitry Tursunov of Russia beat sixth-seeded Janko Tipsarevic of Serbia 7-6 (6), 6-7 (3), 7-5. In the second round, fourth-seeded Mardy Fish of the United States beat Ernests Gulbis of Latvia 6-2, 6-4. □

Azarenka, Ivanovic through at China Open

BEIJING (AP) — Second-seeded Victoria Azarenka reached the third round of the China Open by beating Polona Hercog of Slovakia Wednesday, while in the men's draw third-seeded Tomas Berdych was also a straight-sets winner over Philipp Kohlschreiber of Germany. The fourth-ranked Belarusian Azarenka will next face Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova of Russia.

Pavlyuchenkova beat Azarenka in doubles on Wednesday.

"I just need to get some rest and get ready for tomorrow," Azarenka said after her 7-6 (8), 6-3 win.

In the third round, Ana Ivanovic defeated third-seeded Vera Zvonareva 6-2, 6-1.

The former No. 1 said changes made by new coach Nigel Sears were starting to pay off, especially in improving her serve and forehand.



Serbian Ana Ivanovic serves to Vera Zvonareva of Russia during a women's singles tennis match of the China Open tennis competitions held at the National Stadium court in Beijing, China, Wednesday, Oct. 5, 2011.

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Sometimes it takes time to see results, but it's coming together now," said Ivanovic, the 2008 French Open champion.

Ivanovic will next meet 11th-seeded Agnieszka Radwanska of Poland, who beat Zheng Jie of China 6-1, 6-4.

In another third-round match, ninth-seeded Andrea Petkovic of Germany defeated eighth-seed

Marion Bartoli of France, 6-4, 4-6, 7-5 in a contest that lasted two hours, 44 minutes. Also Wednesday, Berdych reached the third round of the men's draw with a 6-2, 6-0 win over Kohlschreiber. □

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SPORTS BRIEFS

Crosby feels good after practice with teammates

VANCOUVER, British Columbia (AP) — Pittsburgh Penguins captain Sidney Crosby skated with the team on Wednesday, but still doesn't know when he will be able to play in a game.

The star center has been sidelined since Jan. 5 because of post-concussion symptoms.

Crosby hasn't been cleared for contact in practice and will miss at least the first few games of the regular season, which opens on Thursday when the Penguins face the Vancouver Canucks. □



This Sept. 17, 2011 file photo shows Pittsburgh Penguins' Sidney Crosby listening to head coach Dan Bylsma during the NHL hockey team's first workout of the new season at the Consol Energy Center, in Pittsburgh.

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Injured Kiplagat won't defend NYC Marathon title

Los Angeles Galaxy midfielder David Beckham, left, of England, and New York Red Bulls forward Thierry Henry, of France, compete for the ball in the first half of an MLS soccer match, Tuesday, Oct. 4, 2011, in Harrison, N.J.



NEW YORK (AP) — Edna Kiplagat won't defend her New York City Marathon title next month after hurting her knee while winning at the world championships. The 32-year-old Kenyan injured her left knee in a fall during the 26.2-mile race in Daegu, South Korea, in August. Kiplagat says she no longer has any pain, but her training was too limited during September because of physical therapy to prepare her to run well in New York. Kiplagat's withdrawal means Russia's Liliya Shobukhova will win the \$500,000 World Marathon Majors prize for 2010-11. The women's field for the Nov. 6 race in New York includes London Marathon champ Mary Keitany and Boston Marathon winner Caroline Kilel, both also from Kenya. □

Red Bulls beat Galaxy 2-0 to boost playoff hopes

HARRISON, New Jersey (AP) — Luke Rodgers and Thierry Henry scored to give New York a 2-0 win over the Los Angeles Galaxy on Tuesday, moving the Red Bulls to equal 10th in Major League Soccer standings — the final berth in the playoffs. While David Beckham started for Los Angeles, the Galaxy was missing U.S. national team star Landon Donovan, sidelined by a strained right quadriceps. New York went ahead when Rodgers scored in the 32nd minute after Joel Lindpere's corner went to Jan Gunnar Solli, who outjumped defender Frankie Hejduk. Solli's header went off the gloves of goalkeeper Donovan Ricketts, and Rodgers scored as defender Stephen Keel blocked the keeper's view. Henry's goal was his 14th of the season. □



Tiger Woods tees off during the pro-am at the Frys.com Open golf tournament, Wednesday, Oct. 5, 2011 in San Martin, Calif.

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Tiger Woods eager to make another return to golf

DOUG FERGUSON

AP Golf Writer

SAN MARTIN, California (AP)

— When last seen at a golf tournament, Tiger Woods was leaving early from the PGA Championship after missing the cut. He didn't qualify for the FedEx Cup playoffs, giving him a long break that he wasn't expecting.

If there was an upside that day in Atlanta, Woods figured he would have "nothing to do but work on my game."

And that's what he did.

He showed up Wednesday at CordeValle for the Frys.com Open knowing that whatever happens over the next two or four days, it won't be from a lack of practice.

Woods said he has routinely played 36 holes — sometimes 45 holes — a day at his new home in South Florida, and he noticed his scores getting lower and lower until he set the course record last week at The Medalist with a 62. Robert Allenby recalls seeing Woods at The Bear's Club one day in the morning and into the late afternoon.

"The major overhauls are done," Woods said. "I've done all that work. Now, it's just fine tuning."

There was one occasion during his pro-am round when he asked swing coach Sean Foley to videotape his swing. On another shot, he couldn't figure out why the flight of his tee shot started out as a cut and then hooked back to the left.

Otherwise, Woods feels as though he's back to the simple part of golf. Step up and hit it.

"I don't need to worry about whether I have the club here or here or here or here or here," he said. "I've done all that legwork, and now it's time to play. And that's where I needed to get to, which I hadn't been able to because I wasn't healthy enough to get there. And that part was frustrating, because I know what I can do in the game, and I just needed the time to practice."

"And that's why I'm so excited about being here and playing."

It's a transition he might not ever have expected, going from a major championship to a Fall Series event, with a seven-week break in between. The Fall Series was designed to give most players a chance to secure their PGA Tour cards for next year, and the field is loaded

with such players.

There are only six players from the top 50 on the money list, and 26 from the top 100. Rory Sabbatini at No. 27 is the highest-ranked player from the PGA Tour money list.

And then there is Woods, who is No. 118 after having entered only eight PGA Tour events and going the distance in five of them.

He no longer is among the top 50 in the world ranking for the first time since he was a 20-year-old rookie in 1996, having slipped to No. 51 this week. Yet he is such a powerful draw that ticket sales are five times ahead of last year. The Frys.com Open is close to selling out, unusual for a Fall Series event, and even some tournaments in the regular part of the season.

Woods' year looked much more promising in April when he tied for fourth at the Masters, after briefly being in a tie for the lead when he made the turn at Augusta National on Sunday. But he aggravated injuries in his left leg, then returned too early at The Players Championship. He withdrew after nine holes and didn't return again for three months at the Bridgestone Invitational. □

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Freese, Cardinals force Game 5, beat Phillies 5-3

By R.B. FALLSTROM

AP Sports Writer

ST. LOUIS (AP) — David Freese homered, doubled and drove in four runs as the St. Louis Cardinals tagged playoff nemesis Roy Oswalt and beat the Philadelphia Phillies 5-3 Wednesday night, forcing a deciding fifth game in their NL division series.

Center fielder Jon Jay made a sliding catch on Placido Polanco's soft fly for the final out, and was already pointing his index finger before he got to his feet.

Now it's back to Philadelphia for Game 5 on Friday night. Roy Halladay, who won the opener for the Phillies, will face St. Louis ace Chris Carpenter. Cardinals manager Tony La Russa has already called it a dream matchup.

The 102-win Phillies are favored to win it all. But first they must dispose of the wild-card Cardinals, who clinched a playoff spot on the last day of the season and have gotten the best of two members of the Phils' star-studded rotation.

And suddenly, this first-round series has gotten squirrely for the Phillies. An omen, maybe: Right after Oswalt threw a pitch in the fifth, a squirrel darted across the plate. Albert Pujols was hitless in four at-bats in what could have been his final home game with the Cardinals. He received thunderous cheers every trip to the plate from a standing room crowd of 47,071, second-largest at 6-year-old Busch Stadium.

Pujols made his presence known on defense, catching Chase Utley going for an extra base in the sixth. Utley drew a leadoff walk



St. Louis Cardinals center fielder Jon Jay gestures after catching a fly ball hit by Philadelphia Phillies' Placido Polanco to end Game 4 of baseball's National League division series Wednesday, Oct. 5, 2011, in St. Louis. The Cardinals won 5-3 to force a deciding fifth game in the series.

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and kept running on Hunter Pence's grounder to short, but Pujols alertly jumped off first base to catch the throw and made a sharp relay to third for the out.

Edwin Jackson recovered from a rocky beginning to win his first playoff start. After giving up two runs on his first five pitches, he wound up throwing six solid innings. Jason Motte worked a perfect ninth for his second save of the series.

Phillies cleanup hitter Ryan Howard was 0 for 4 with three strikeouts. He is 0 for 8 the last two games with five strikeouts and has hit only one ball out of the infield. Oswalt had been 5-0 with a 3.25 ERA in 10 previous postseason starts, the biggest closing out old Busch

Stadium and the Cardinals in 2005 to get Houston to its first World Series. The right-hander also worked seven shutout innings against St. Louis in the Phillies' NL East division clincher in mid-September.

The biggest jolts for the Cardinals came from their seventh-place hitter. Freese was 2 for 12 the first three games with one RBI before punishing the fourth of the Phillies' aces. Freese's two-run double down the third-base line in the fourth put St. Louis up 3-2. His two-run homer to straightaway center in the sixth whipped the crowd into a towel-waving frenzy. Oswalt walked Lance Berkman and hit Matt Holliday, making his first start of the series, to

start the fourth. Right fielder Hunter Pence made a fine running catch at the warning track to rob Yadier Molina of extra bases, but Freese jumped on a hanging curveball with a drive down the left-field line.

Holliday singled with one out in the sixth and Freese hit a 1-0 pitch to the pasture in straightaway center, not far from where a squirrel made an early appearance, for a three-run cushion. A squirrel also interrupted play in the fifth, racing across the plate an instant after Oswalt's pitch to Skip Schumaker passed for a ball.

Oswalt argued with home plate umpire Angel Hernandez, asking for no pitch. Phillies manager Charlie Manuel also argued with

out success and Schumaker, flied out to center on the next pitch.

In Game 3 Tuesday, a squirrel was seen scampering in foul territory along the third base line.

Five pitches into the game, the Phillies had a 2-0 lead with an assist from the late-afternoon playing conditions.

Jay, standing in bright sunshine while shadows, took one step in on leadoff man Jimmy Rollins' drive on the first pitch of the game and retreated too late for a ball just over his glove that bounced over the wall for a ground-rule double.

Utley tripled just inside the first-base line three pitches later and Pence lined an RBI single on the next pitch. □

Taking home the lasers, pulsers and sonic care

ABBY ELLIN

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About two years ago, Toby Salzman bought two handheld battery-operated gadgets that promised, if not the fountain of youth, at least a spigot: LightStim for Wrinkles (\$299), which supposedly increases collagen and reduces lines by using red, amber and infrared light; and the Clarisonic Skin Cleansing System (\$225), which claims to remove six times more dirt from your face than regular cleansing does.

"You think you're not doing a good job unless you're using those devices," said Salzman, 57, the owner of a clothing company in Seattle.

She is one of thousands of people buying portable lasers and lights that promise to polish skin, eliminate blemishes, smooth wrinkles or diminish rosacea.

Michael Moretti, president of Medical Insight Inc., a media and market research company specializing in aesthetic medicine, said that retail sales of these home-use devices were expected to rise from an estimated \$561.8 million in 2010 to nearly \$900 million in 2015.

The contraptions are certainly tempting, with scientific-sounding attributes ("Ion Infusion technology!" in a WrinkleMD eye treatment) and official-looking

and a clinical professor of dermatology at New York University Medical Center, said: "There are a wide spectrum of OTC devices including lasers, light sour-

Lee said. "I worry about misuse."

Some machines (among them TRIA Skin Perfecting Blue Light; LightStim for Wrinkles; and Levia Personal Targeted Phototherapy, which helps with psoriasis, eczema and vitiligo) have been peer-reviewed by medical experts, but not all. And the Food and Drug Administration clears only medical devices, not beauty devices, a distinction not always obvious to consumers. "It gets squishy when companies say 'We're not making medical claims; we're making beauty claims,'" said Dr. Mathew M. Avram, director of the Massachusetts General Hospital Dermatology Laser and Cosmetic Center in Boston. "What is a medical claim? It becomes a hard area to define."

"If you make a claim that you can benefit someone's appearance and you're going to use a device to accomplish that," he continued, "I think there needs to be the same level of scrutiny that a device used in a physician's office would undergo."

There have been some crackdowns on unwarranted claims. Last spring,

the National Advertising Division of the Council of Better Business Bureaus (NAD) requested substantiation for promises made by VISS Beauty, for its Intense Pulsed Light Hair Removal Device. When the company refused to participate in a NAD review, the division referred the claims to the Federal Trade Commission and the FDA. And in September, the Federal Trade Commission shut down two smartphone apps, AcnePwner and AcneApp, for claiming that they could treat pimples with lights emitted from their display screens. Even with effective devices, "there may be unforeseen uses and unforeseen consequences that may arise," said Avram, listing the possibility of scarring, soreness, redness and hyperpigmentation, not to mention product malfunctions.

There's also the "slight potential" for squamous or basal skin cancers from the ultraviolet light sources, said Dr. Neil Sadick, a clinical professor of dermatology at Weill Cornell Medical College, though he said that at-home devices used less energy than the machines in doctors' offices. □



Nan Kursh, who has psoriasis, in Weston, Mass. Kursh uses Levia Personal Targeted Phototherapy, an electronic "brush" that Dr. Ethan Lerner, a Boston dermatologist, designed for her to use at home.

(Jodi Hilton/The New York Times)

websites. (HairMax.com, for example, features two people in hazmat suits near the "clean room facility where the medical grade lasers are manufactured.") These products tend to be cheaper and less time-consuming than a series of visits to the dermatologist. But do they work? Depends on whom you ask.

Dr. Roy G. Geronemus, director of the Laser and Skin Surgery Center of New York

es, Intense Pulsed Light sources, radio frequency and sonic cleansing devices. Some of the devices are valuable, and others are worthless."

Dr. Sandra Lee, a dermatologist in Upland, Calif., fears patients will develop what she calls laserexia. "If it says, don't use more than once a day, but if you're a teen and you use it more than once a day, are you then at risk for scarring?"

Vaporizers put to use with marijuana

JED LIPINSKI

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Rick Cusick, the associate publisher of the marijuana magazine High Times, remembers the first time he saw a vaporizer. It was in 2000, at a tobacco trade show in Las Vegas.

"I was having a party in my room at the Sahara," Cusick said, "when two men walked in carrying a 50-pound drill press attached to a plywood board."

The drill press had been set up with copper tubing to heat cannabis just enough so that its active ingredient, tetrahydrocannabinol, was released not as smoke but as a less scorching vapor.

"Stoners are a very creative lot," Cusick added.

They are also resource-



Elvy Musikka, 72, who suffers from glaucoma, smokes a marijuana cigarette, one of many she regularly receives from the U.S. Government, at her home in Eugene, Ore. For the past three decades, the federal government has been providing a handful of patients with some of the highest grade marijuana around. The program grew out of a 1976 court settlement that created the country's first legal pot smoker.

(AP Photo/Don Ryan)

ful. As medical marijuana has gained public support (it is now legal in 16 states and Washington) the increasingly popular vaporizer may soon emerge as a cultural alternative to the bong or hand-blown glass pipe.

"Our vaporizer sales have jumped over 30 percent each year for the last four years," said Elijah Kliger, owner of the SDR Shop, an online head shop based in Brooklyn.

His site currently stocks seven models, from \$37.49 to \$62.49, which the site states are "sold with the express intent to be used with legal herbs and oils for aromatherapy purposes."

The sale of vaporizers explicitly for marijuana remains illegal under federal

law, even in states where medicinal marijuana is legal. For this reason, vaporizers are marketed as an aromatherapy device, to be used with household herbs like lavender and eucalyptus.

That would explain how they are sold in the open. Salman Shahid, a clerk at Shisha International, a West Village tobacco shop, said he stocks 22 types of vaporizers, up from five in 2007.

Besides the novelty, advocates say that using vaporizers is healthier than inhaling smoke. "Vaporized marijuana is virtually free of whatever toxic properties come with burning the plant," said Dr. Lester Grinspoon, an associate professor emeritus of psychiatry at Harvard Medical School. □

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Vegas casino plans free online poker website

OSKAR GARCIA
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LAS VEGAS (AP) — A Las Vegas casino is launching a free online poker website tied to the program it uses to determine perks for frequent gamblers, with an eye toward opening a site to play for real money if it becomes explicitly legal in the United States.

South Point Hotel, Casino & Spa owner Michael Gaughan planned to announce Wednesday that the site will launch Thursday for members of its casino loyalty program and Oct. 17 for the public. Gaughan told The Associated Press the site is a first step in being ahead of the pack if federal or state lawmakers

decide to explicitly allow casinos to operate Internet poker. Current laws are murky but effectively prohibit sites from operating by preventing banks from processing payments for illegal gambling. "It's kind of a gamble," said Gaughan, who said he plans to promote the casino by giving away cash and prizes, including funds for one player to take a seat at next year's \$10,000 buy-in World Series of Poker main event.

"I don't know that much about online poker and I'm trying to learn about it with a free site," he said. Gaughan said he has been working with Nevada gambling regulators with the stated intention that should online gambling be given a green light in Nevada or nationwide, he'll be ready. Casinos have pursued Internet poker more eagerly since federal indictments brought down the three largest sites that offered poker gambling to Americans. The indictments ac-

cused executives and other associates of PokerStars, Full Tilt Poker and Absolute Poker of fraud and money laundering for tricking banks into processing payments by disguising them as purchases of flowers, golf balls and other items. Teresa Zellhoefer, deputy enforcement chief for the Nevada Gaming Control Board, said regulators looked at the South Point site — the first free one directly branded under a Sin City casino's name and linked to its gambling rewards program — as primarily a promotional tool. Regulators asked how the site would arbitrate disputes in games and keep information about hands played, and they took into considerations new state rules the control board has been drafting since state lawmakers asked for new regulations earlier this year. "It was kind of a precursor to getting the big ball rolling," said Zellhoefer, noting that the board didn't have



Casino industry representatives play in a mock online tournament during the G2E conference, Tuesday, Oct. 4, 2011, in Las Vegas. The commercial casino industry wants Congress to drop proposals already on the table for regulating the estimated \$6 billion online poker industry and pass new legislation that would let states decide whether to allow online gambling and require online casino companies to be licensed.

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to formally approve the site because it doesn't involve real-money gambling. The site isn't the first for a casino company but appeared to set new bars with its branding and direct tie to its loyalty program. Caesars Entertainment Corp. has been running a free poker site for two

years branded through the World Series of Poker, which it owns, with games also available on Facebook and mobile platforms. The site signs up thousands of players weekly and is approaching 1 million total user accounts, World Series of Poker spokesman Seth Palansky said. □

Aviat Networks, W.Va. partner on broadband project

CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP)

— West Virginia is partnering with Aviat Networks to bring high-speed Internet service to underserved areas of the state.

Aviat said Tuesday in a news release that the state's existing microwave public safety network will be expanded to provide broadband access.

The network is expected to be connected to public safety agencies, public libraries, schools, government offices and other facilities statewide. Local Internet-service providers also will be able to connect to the network.

The project is expected to be completed by the end of 2012. Santa Clara, Calif.-based Aviat sells products and services for wireless networks. □

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Stocks rise on hopes for European banks

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AP Business Writer

NEW YORK (AP) —

Stocks rose sharply for a second straight day Wednesday on signs that the U.S. economy grew in September and that European officials are moving to support the region's struggling banks. The Dow Jones industrial average rose 131 points. Most of the gain, 80 points, came in the last hour of trading. Analysts attributed the rise to increasing optimism about Europe's efforts to contain its debt crisis and a pair of reports in the U.S. showing a pick-up in hiring and growth in service companies last month. The Financial Times reported late Tuesday that European officials are exploring a joint effort to support the region's banks. That triggered sharp rises in European markets, especially bank stocks. Investors are worried that European banks could suffer deep losses if Greece starts missing debt payments, which is also known as a default. That could cause the value of Greek

bonds held by the banks to drop sharply. If weakened banks pull back from lending to each other, it could cause another freeze in global credit markets, as occurred in late 2008.

The report, which came out after European markets closed Tuesday, triggered a late rally in U.S. stocks that prevented the S&P 500 from closing down 20 percent from its recent peak, reached in April. A fall that far would have met the test of a bear market.

Analysts cautioned that the two-day gain in stocks may not last, given the strains that are still affecting the U.S. economy.

"The market is trading on sentiment right now, not fundamentals," said Rob Stein, head of Astor Asset Management. "People are hoping that the bounce yesterday means that we've hit a bottom, but the problems that were in the economy Monday haven't changed since then."

Other traders pointed to meetings by the European Central Bank and the Bank of England Thursday in



A currency trader passes by the screen showing the Korea Composite Stock Price Index and foreign exchange rate at the foreign exchange dealing room of the Korea Exchange Bank headquarters in Seoul, South Korea, Wednesday, Oct. 5, 2011. Asian stocks struggled for direction Wednesday, after a wild session on Wall Street underscored the extreme uncertainty about Europe's ability to contain its debt crisis.

(AP Photo/Lee Jin-man)

which officials are expected to discuss additional measures to increase investors' confidence in the European banking system.

"There's a reluctance to (bet that stocks are going to fall) when there's a chance that you'll see an announcement out of Europe to help the banks by the weekend," said Nick Kalivas, vice presi-

dent of research at MF Global.

The Dow rose 131.21 points, or 1.2 percent, to close at 10,939.95. The Dow jumped 153 Tuesday after its late-day surge.

The Standard & Poor's 500 rose 20.09, or 1.8 percent, to 1,144.04. The Nasdaq composite jumped 55.69, or 2.3 percent, to 2,460.51.

European bank stocks soared, reflecting increasing optimism that European leaders will succeed in limiting the fallout from Greece's debt problems. Credit Agricole jumped 10 percent, and BNP Paribas gained 9 percent.

European markets rose broadly. Germany's DAX jumped 5 percent. Benchmark indexes in France and Italy rose 4 percent.

Reports that the U.S. economy continued to grow in September also sent stock indexes higher. The Institute of Supply Management said its gauge of the U.S. service sector, which employs 90 percent of the work force, grew in line with Wall Street's expectations. The index measures the strength of health care providers, banks, real estate, and other businesses outside of manufacturing. The ISM's index was 53 in September, down slightly from 53.3 in August. Any number above 50 indicates expansion for the sector. Payroll processor ADP said private companies added 91,000 jobs last month. □

Corning board

OKs up to \$1.5B in share buybacks

CORNING, New York

(AP) — Corning Inc. said Wednesday that its board of directors has approved a plan to repurchase up to \$1.5 billion of the specialty glass maker's shares and increased the company's quarterly dividend by 50 percent.

The company's fourth-quarter dividend will rise to 7.5 cents, up from 5 cents, and will be paid on Dec. 16 to shareholders of record on Nov. 16.

Corning expects to begin the share buyback plan during the fourth quarter. The plan authorization expires at the end of 2013.

Meanwhile, the company noted that it expects the display industry supply chain sector to remain cautious, due to the uncertainty over the global economy.



James Flaws, vice chairman and chief financial officer, noted that the company's display business is experiencing significant supply chain correction, as well as some loss of market share, primarily in Korea. As a result, the company expects earnings from stakes it holds in Samsung Corning and Dow Corning Corp. will be at least 30 percent lower in the third quarter than in the second quarter.

It also anticipates that display glass volume may continue to be weak in the short term, which could increase pressure on the company to lower prices.

Corning also said its telecommunications, environmental technologies and life sciences segments remained strong during the third quarter.

The company is scheduled to report its third-quarter financial results on Oct. 26. □

Ford, GM may qualify for higher credit ratings



NEW YORK (AP) — Detroit's biggest carmakers have their labor costs under control thanks to new contracts.

Now they're hoping to lower the cost of their debt.

Ford and GM have agreed to new four-year labor contracts that could save them money. Under the contracts, they won't have to pay annual raises to U.S. factory workers and they'll hire thousands of new ones at lower wages. That could mean more

money for investment and repayment of debt. Agencies that rate the credit worthiness of companies like Ford and GM are putting investors on notice that the two automakers could get an "upgrade" in debt ratings, potentially lowering their cost for borrowing.

Moody's Investors Service said Wednesday that it's reviewing its ratings for Ford Motor Co., after the Dearborn, Michigan, automaker reached a deal with the United Auto Workers for a new four-year contract. □

Samsung seeking to block sale of new iPhone 4S

KELLY OLSEN

AP Business Writer

SEOUL, South Korea (AP)

— Samsung said it will file court injunctions in France and Italy seeking to block the sale of Apple's latest iPhone amid an intensifying patent fight between the smartphone giants.

Samsung plans to file preliminary injunctions in Paris and Milan asking that courts block Apple's iPhone 4S from being sold in France and Italy, alleging patent infringement of wireless telecommunications technology, the company said Wednesday.

"Apple has continued to flagrantly violate our intellectual property rights and free ride on our technology, and we will steadfastly protect our intellectual property," Samsung said in a statement.

The South Korean com-

pany did not say when the French and Italian filings would take place, but also said it plans similar moves in other countries "after further review."

The announcement comes one day after Apple Inc. unveiled the iPhone 4S in the United States.

Seoul-based Apple spokesman Steve Park, speaking by phone from Japan, declined to comment on Samsung's announcement. The companies have been at odds since April when Apple took legal actions claiming Samsung's Galaxy line of smartphones and tablet computers copy the iPhone and iPad. Samsung has responded by taking Apple to court over what it alleges are violations of its patents covering wireless communications.

Suwon, South Korea-based Samsung Electronics Co.



A model poses with Samsung Electronics' new smart phones Galaxy S II LTE, right, which features the 4.5-inch Super AMOLED Plus screen and runs on the Android 2.3, and Galaxy S II HD LTE, which features the 4.65 HD Super AMOLED screen and runs on the Android 2.3 during its unveiling ceremony in Seoul, South Korea, Monday, Sept. 26, 2011.

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ranks No. 2 in the world in smartphone sales behind Apple, which has headquarters in Cupertino, California. Samsung said the technology it claims Apple infringes "is essential to the reliable functioning of telecom networks and devices" and that it sees the alleged violations as "too severe and that (the) iPhone 4S should be barred from sales." Apple has won sales injunctions against Samsung products in the Netherlands and Germany and is seeking one in Australia. Samsung has asked a court in the Netherlands to stop Apple from selling iPhones and iPad tablets in that country. □

Yahoo shares soar on new takeover hopes



MICHAEL LIEDTKE

AP Technology Writer

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)

— Yahoo Inc.'s stock price soared more than 10 percent late Wednesday on hopes that its once-spurned suitor, Microsoft, will return with another takeover bid now that the struggling Internet company is mulling a possible sale.

Reuters reported late in the day that Microsoft Corp. is considering whether to make an offer, and that fed the takeover speculation that has swirled around Yahoo Inc. since it fired Carol Bartz as CEO five weeks ago.

The story cited unnamed sources that Reuters said included a high-ranking Microsoft executive saying there's disagreement within Microsoft on whether it makes sense to pursue Ya-

hoo again more than three years after being rebuffed. A Microsoft spokesman declined to comment.

Yahoo's shares reached \$16.15, their highest point since Bartz's Sept. 6 ouster, before retreating to close at \$15.92, an increase for the day of \$1.46, or 10.1 percent. They fell 46 cents after hours.

Microsoft is widely viewed among investors as the most tantalizing candidate to buy Yahoo because the world's largest software maker has the cash to pull it off and a history with its rival that makes a takeover seem like a realistic scenario.

But making a case for Microsoft to buy Yahoo still requires wishful thinking. That's partly because Yahoo and Microsoft are now bound together in an Internet search partnership that gives Microsoft less incentive to buy Yahoo outright. Microsoft also is facing a challenge with personal computer sales slowing that could make the headaches that would accompany a Yahoo acquisition even less attractive. □

Opposition from Freddie and Fannie stalls debt reduction



A man walks past a foreclosed home in Phoenix. Home values have fallen so much in Arizona that almost half the people with mortgages there owe more than their homes are worth.

(Joshua Lott/The New York Times)

SHAILA DEWAN

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Home values have fallen so much in Arizona that almost half the people with mortgages there owe more than their homes are worth. So when federal money became available to help stem the tide of foreclosures, the state flagged that group for help.

If banks would forgive some of a homeowners' mortgage debt, the state said it would pay half, up to \$50,000 of a \$100,000 loan reduction. Despite the generous terms, most banks balked.

Only three homeowners have been approved for debt reduction since the program began in September 2010. A major obstacle has been that the two larg-

est mortgage guarantors, Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, will not participate — in Arizona or elsewhere. No loans are eligible for the state's program if they were bought and held or securitized by the two companies, which are now under government control and guarantee more than 70 percent of the country's home loans.

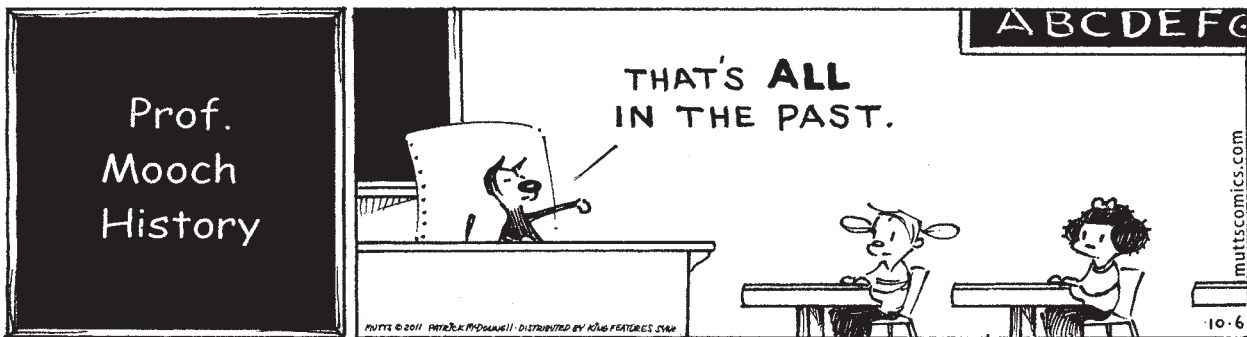
"It is extremely difficult for the principal reduction program to be successful" when Fannie and Freddie opt out, said Shaun Rieve, a spokesman for the Arizona Department of Housing.

The companies' policy against debt forgiveness, or principal reduction, has blocked widespread use of what many have come to believe is an indispensable

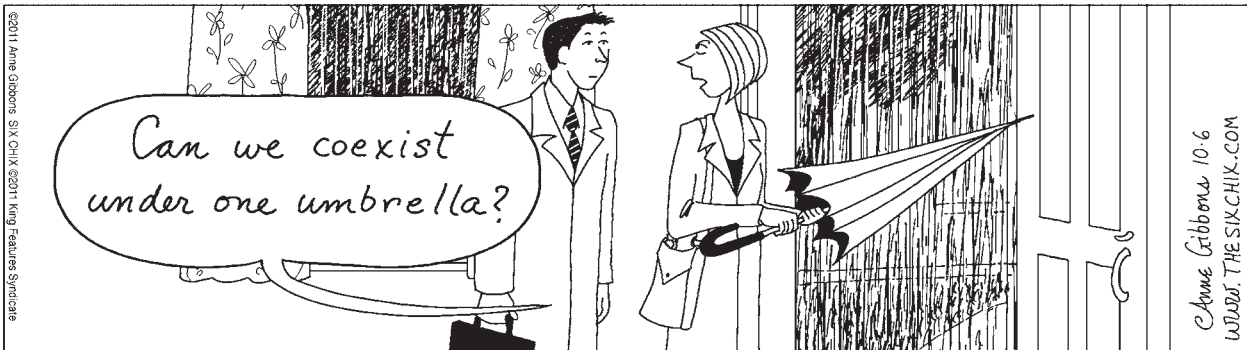
tool for fixing the housing problem. The state attorneys general have been insisting that debt forgiveness be a part of the multibillion-dollar settlement they are negotiating with big banks over faulty mortgage practices. Smaller investors and companies that service home loans have stepped up debt forgiveness for troubled borrowers as well. Not Edward J. DeMarco, who as acting director of the Federal Housing Finance Agency oversees Fannie and Freddie. Even though he recently signaled that he might make it easier for homeowners to refinance into more favorable loans, he has held his ground on debt relief. Fannie and Freddie say reducing the principal is bad for business, and as a result bad for taxpayers.

Critics counter that banks and investors have benefited from the government response to the housing collapse while borrowers have largely been left to sink. Just last week, a report by the inspector general of the Federal Housing Finance Agency said that Freddie Mac had failed to pursue Bank of America aggressively for compensation for bad loans, despite warnings from a senior staff member. □

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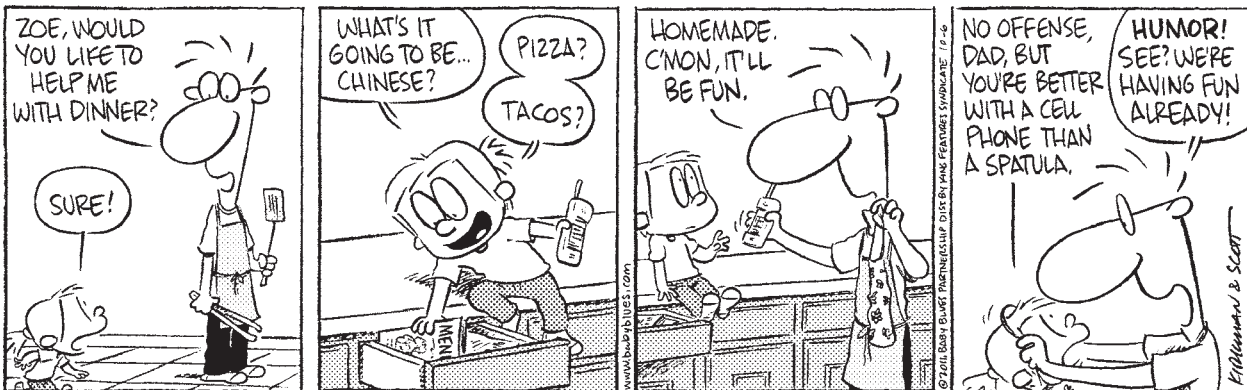
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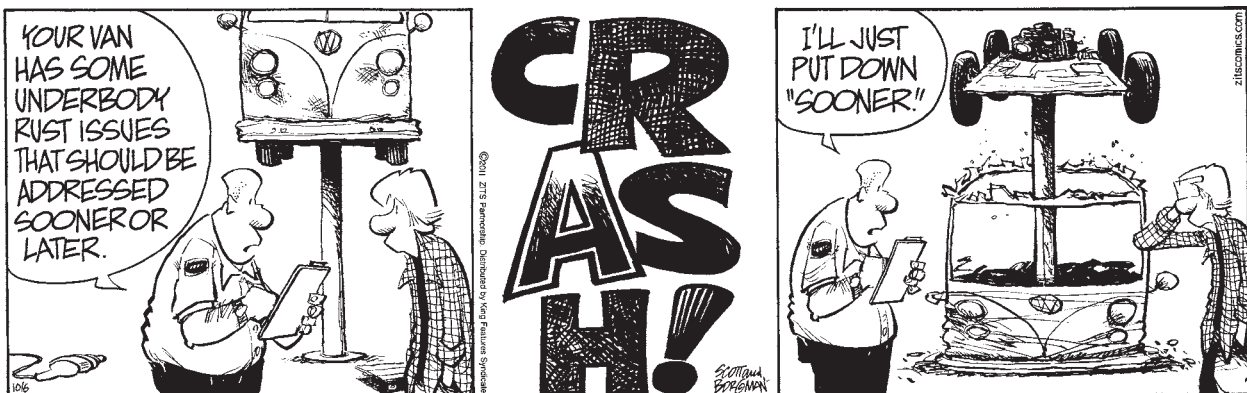
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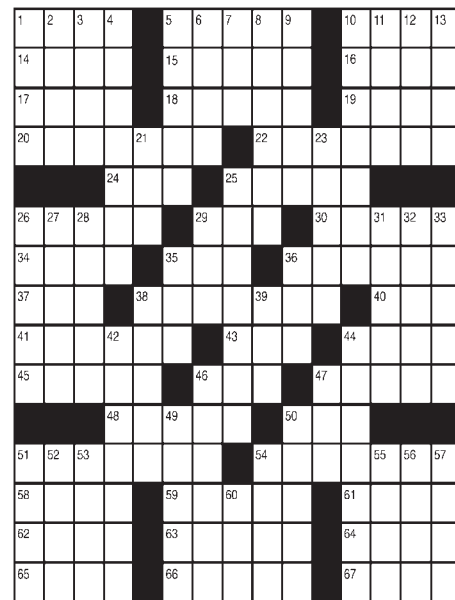
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Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Conceptis Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

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8	6	3	4	5	7	1	9	2
2	8	1	6	7	4	3	5	9
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ACROSS

- 1 Autry or Wilder
5 Small plateaus
10 Holiday and Severinsen
14 Highest point
15 "There _____ enough hours in the day"
16 Rotten to the core
17 Speech impediment
18 Enraged
19 _____ Sampras of tennis
20 Movements
22 Memorized
24 Hairy as an _____
25 Come together
26 Actor _____ Baio
29 Deface
30 Acting award
34 Sheltered bay
35 Light brown
36 Wacko
37 Highest card
38 Bow-and-arrow shooting
40 Flour container
41 Dignified; noble
43 Sign an IOU
44 Bart's sister
45 Passé
46 Flamenco cry
47 Thin wood wall piece
48 Calmness
50 Ear of corn
51 _____ for; craving
54 "_____ the Red-Nosed Reindeer"
58 Fashionable
59 Cavalry sword
61 Vex
62 Insinuate
63 Slip away from
64 _____ so; very
65 Wraps up
66 Takes care of
67 No longer with us



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Wednesday's Puzzle Solved

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DANE	LEDGERS	
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LAB	ERECT	YOKEL
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PETER	SERUM	LEA
SIDED	LEGEND	
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DOWN

- 1 Big celebration
2 Heroic story
3 Home of twigs

- 4 Make amends for, as a sin
5 Northeastern U. S. state
6 Blunders
7 Caribbean
8 Elk's horn
9 Take the helm
10 Make sad
11 Microwave
12 Refer to
13 Snow vehicle
21 _____ for; choose
23 Great pain
25 Sewer worker's entrance
26 Burn with liquid
27 Warm drink
28 Plain to see
29 Apple product
31 Log _____; maple syrup brand
32 Licorice-like flavoring
33 Of the kidneys
35 Endeavor
36 Wrath
38 Birch variety
39 Mother sheep

- 42 Represents by a drawing
44 Toiled
46 Eight notes of a scale
47 Snow pea or okra
49 Valuable item
50 Makes well

- 51 Painful throb
52 Skinny
53 Female red deer
54 Actor _____ Foxx
55 _____ it up; revel
56 Entreaty
57 Group of cattle
60 Prohibit

Today In History

Today is Thursday, October 6, the 279th day of 2011. There are 86 days left in the year. Highlights in history on this date:

1536 - William Tyndale, who translated the first English Bible, is executed for heresy in Vilvoorde, the Netherlands.

1683 - Thirteen families from Krefeld, Germany, arrive in present-day Philadelphia to begin Germantown, one of America's oldest settlements.

1789 - An irate crowd enters the Versailles palace outside Paris. Troops of the Marquis de Lafayette protect the royal family, who are taken to Paris as hostages of the revolution.

1889 - The Moulin Rouge in Paris opens its doors to the public; inventor Thomas Edison shows his first motion pictures in West Orange, New Jersey.

1908 - Turkey grants concession to Germany to build a railroad to Ankara.

1918 - French occupy Beirut in the Ottoman Empire.

1927 - In the United States, the era of talking pictures arrives with the opening of "The Jazz Singer," starring Al Jolson, a movie which features both silent and sound-synchronized scenes.

1937 - Japanese aggression in China is condemned by League of Nations.

1939 - In an address to the Reichstag, Adolf Hitler denies having any intention of war against France and Britain.

1949 - American-born Iva Toguri D'Aquino, convicted as Japanese wartime broadcaster "Tokyo Rose," is sentenced in San Francisco to 10 years in prison and fined \$10,000.

1953 - Britain sends forces to British Guiana to prevent coup by communists.

1958 - U.S. nuclear submarine Seawolf surfaces off New England's coast after establishing a world record by remaining submerged for two months.

1964 - As Cambodia is



Today is Elizabeth Shue's birthday

dragged into the Vietnam war, China pledges to Prince Norodom Sihanouk, Cambodian chief of state, that it will give his country economic and military aid. 1972 - Train carrying religious pilgrims derails and catches fire near Saltillo, Mexico, killing at least 208 people.

1973 - Egypt and Syria launch a surprise attack on Israel as it observes Yom Kippur.

1976 - Coup in Thailand results in military takeover.

1979 - Pope John Paul II becomes the first pontiff to visit the White House, where he is received by U.S. President Jimmy Carter.

1981 - Egyptian President Anwar Sadat is shot to death by extremists while reviewing a military parade.

1989 - Typhoon Angela kills at least 118 people on northern coast of Luzon, Philippines.

1991 - An Indonesia air force plane crashes into a government building in Jakarta, killing 102 people and injuring more than 5,000.

1992 - The U.N. Security Council unanimously votes to create a war-crimes commission for Bosnia-Herzegovina.

1996 - Yao Wenyuan, the last surviving member of the "Gang of Four," which promoted class struggle

under Chairman Mao Zedong during the Cultural Revolution, is freed from prison. In jail for 20 years, he was convicted in 1981 for plotting to seize power after Mao's death in 1976.

1997 - The spiritual leader of Muslim militant group Hamas is released by Israel in exchange for two Mossad agents captured after a bungled assassination attempt in Jordan.

1998 - The U.N. Security Council declares that the Serbs have not complied with resolutions demanding a cease-fire in Kosovo, setting the stage for a military intervention in the Yugoslav province.

1999 - Overwhelmed by rising waters on the Niger River, officials open the floodgates of two major dams, submerging 400 villages and leaving more than 300,000 homeless. Some 500 are believed drowned. 2000 - An official inquiry into the infection of more than 200 Irish hemophiliacs with HIV and hepatitis C confirms that the government's Blood Transfusion Service Board knowingly put them at risk in the early 1980s by selling infected blood products to hospitals.

2002 - The Qatar-based Al Jazeera satellite television network broadcast an audiotape made by Osama bin Laden where the speaker on the tape warned the U.S. of future attacks.

2004 - The European Union recommends setting mostly Muslim Turkey on a course for full membership in the union. The commissioners set stiff conditions to prevent far poorer Turkey from backtracking on the sweeping democratic and human rights reforms being demanded.

2005 - Rescue workers dig through mud, searching for victims of landslides and pulling bodies from swollen rivers, after a week of steady rain in Central America and Mexico leaves more than 160 dead.

2006 - The fledgling U.N. Hu-

man Rights Council ends its second session after failing to approve any decisions addressing the world's worst abuses.

2007 - Ruling-party lawmakers claim victory for Pakistan's President Gen. Pervez Musharraf as voting ends in the presidential election.

2008 — Wall Street joins in a worldwide cascade of despair over the financial crisis, driving the Dow Jones industrials to their biggest loss ever during a trading day. They close below 10,000 for the first time since 2004.

2009 - A top suspect wanted for orchestrating the killings of thousands of people in Rwanda's 1994 genocide — including children, hospital patients, priests and even an elderly and revered African queen — is captured.

2010 - A method for building complex molecules has paid off by helping to fight cancer, protect crops and make electronic devices — and now it has earned its developers, two Japanese scientists and an American researcher, a Nobel Prize. □

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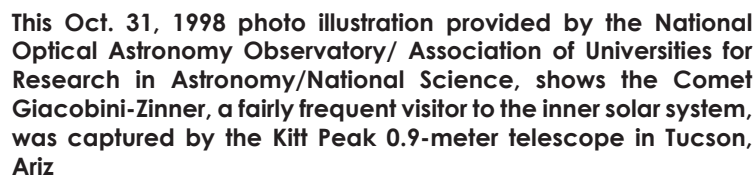
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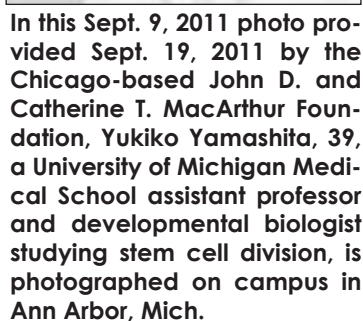
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Saturday's Draconid meteors may be no-see-ums

And while the meteors will be falling during nighttime in Europe, Africa and the Middle East, a nearly full moon is expected to dull the spectacle there. □

Because of that, Egli said, "I could never imagine that



Egli said he and his colleagues are trying several different approaches to overcome the "technical barrier" of too much DNA with this technique. What's important, he said, is that it shows researchers can use this method to turn a

Arthur Caplan, director of the Center for Bioethics at the University of Pennsylvania, said this new work shows how hard it would be to use cloning to create people. That avoids a major ethical concern with embryonic stem cells, he said. □



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Singers Will.i.am and Fergie of the group Black Eyed Peas is seen performing during Black Eyed Peas "Concert 4 NYC" at Central Park, Great Lawn in New York on Friday, September 30, 2011.

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Black Eyed Peas out of Michael Jackson concert

LONDON (AP) — The Black Eyed Peas have pulled out of this week's Michael Jackson tribute concert in Wales. Organizers say the band, whose hits include "I Gotta Feeling," has withdrawn due to "unavoidable circumstances." Christina Aguilera, Smokey Robinson, Gladys Knight, Leona Lewis and Cee Lo Green are on the bill for Saturday's "Michael Forever" show at Cardiff's Millennium Stadium. Chris Hunt, chief executive of event organizer Global Live Events, said Wednesday that the concert would be a "fantastic evening," despite the absence. The show is not affiliated with Jackson's estate, but his mother Katherine and other relatives are scheduled to attend. Organizers have rescinded an offer to the band Kiss over singer Gene Simmons' past criticism of Jackson. □

Denzel Washington donates \$2.25 million to Fordham

NEW YORK (AP) — Denzel Washington has donated \$2.25 million to Fordham University, his alma mater. The university said Monday that Washington has given \$2 million to endow the Denzel Washington Chair in Theatre, and another \$250,000 to establish a scholarship for a minority undergraduate student studying theater at Fordham.

Phylicia Rashad, who played Clair Huxtable on "The Cosby Show," has joined the school's faculty as the first Denzel Washington Chair in Theatre. Washington cited the late Bob Stone, who was a theater professor at Fordham, for inspiring him. □



In this Dec. 11, 2010 file photo, actor Denzel Washington speaks at a press conference in Oslo, Norway, before a concert in honor of Nobel Peace Prize laureate Liu Xiaobo.

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A.C. Nielsen Jr., of TV ratings fame, dies at 92

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CHICAGO (AP) — Arthur C. Nielsen Jr., whose family company has been the final word on whether television shows are hot or not for more than a half-century, died in the suburban Chicago community where he lived most of his life. He was 92.

Nielsen, who died Monday in Winnetka, suffered from Parkinson's disease, his son said.

It was the company founded by his father and then run by Nielsen that created the measurement system under which the entire multi-billion-dollar television industry is based and, from the late 1950s on, the name synonymous with U.S. television viewing habits. Children and parents alike wondered who in their neighborhoods was being contacted and asked about what they were watching or, later, whether Nielsen had attached electronic meters to their TV sets.

Adding to the mystery is Nielsen's closely guarded practice of finding families and keeping them anonymous. Before the meters — currently in 22,000 U.S. homes — families would write "Nielsen diaries" detailing what they watched, and the company used the information to create ratings that came to be known simply as the Niensens.

The company's influence in the business of measuring television ratings is unmatched. And even if television networks grumble that the virtual monopoly is slow in responding to some of their concerns, none can run their businesses without Nielsen.

The numbers have taken on a greater significance, and are watched more carefully for accuracy, now that there are so many networks slicing viewership into several smaller segments. A.C. Nielsen Jr. "really was the father of what Nielsen is today," said David Poltrack, chief researcher at



This undated photo provided by Nielsen shows Arthur C. Nielsen Jr. Nielsen, who led the company that grew into an international market research firm known for producing the TV ratings known as "the Niensens," died Monday, Oct. 5, 2011, in the Chicago suburb of Winnetka, Ill.

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CBS, where he has worked since 1969. "His father started the company and when he turned it over to Art junior it was just the beginning of the media measurement business."

Nielsen grew up watching his father run an engineering research business that measured performance in factories. When the Great Depression hit, the business went broke, said J. Christopher Nielsen, Arthur Nielsen Jr.'s son.

The elder Nielsen soon started a successful retail index business that measured sales in grocery and drug stores and then decided to go into measuring the popularity of various radio shows.

When he got out of the service after World War II, Nielsen Jr. joined his father's company. Two 1980s profiles in Forbes said it was Nielsen Jr.'s experience in the army with a machine used to turn out artillery calculations that prompted his father to purchase one of IBM's first computers.

At a time when other broadcast executives were gauging the size of a radio audience by the number of letters received — "They'd weigh the darn mailbags," Nielsen told Forbes — the Nielsen company was doing it electronically.

As the company grew and expanded to television, it

also maintained a coupon clearinghouse, the retail index operation, a business that handled subscription services for more than 130 magazines and a service providing information to the oil and gas industry.

J. Christopher Nielsen said the company generated about \$4 million in revenues when his father joined and saw sales surpass \$680 million in 1983, when he stepped down to become chairman emeritus after more than 25 years as president. Between 1945 and the time Nielsen Jr. retired, the company grew from fewer than 1,000 employees having more than 21,000, his son said.

Nielsen Jr. engineered the company's 1984 sale to Dun & Bradstreet Corp. for \$1.3 billion in stock. The company later was acquired by Dutch publishing company VNU. It went public in January as Nielsen Holdings N.V.

"By the time my dad died (the company) was the world leader in five businesses," J. Christopher Nielsen said.

Nielsen Jr. had a long record of philanthropy and public service, serving on several presidential advisory committees, chairman of the U.S. Census Bureau Advisory committee, and as a commissioner of the U.S. Information Agency. □

Hola, Hulu! Univision telenovelas come online

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LOS ANGELES (AP) — Univision, the United States' No. 1 Spanish-language broadcaster, is bringing its popular telenovelas and other prime-time TV programming to online video service Hulu.

The deal announced Wednesday gives Hulu a way to sell advertising to a growing Hispanic population and entice them to pay for subscriptions that unlock more content. Univision gets a chance to make the kind of money from reruns that English-language programs have long enjoyed.

Hulu's paying subscribers will get the majority of Univision's prime-time offerings the day after airing on regular TV. Hulu says more than 1 million people pay \$8 a month for Hulu Plus, which lets them watch shows on



This undated image provided by Univision shows a scene from the telenovela, "La Fuerza del Destino," The Power of Destiny. Univision, the nation's No. 1 Spanish-language broadcaster, is bringing its popular telenovelas and other prime-time TV programming to online video service Hulu.

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devices other than a computer and access a deeper library than the free version. Full episodes of certain shows will also be available

on the free version of Hulu a day after being broadcast on TV. Both free and paid versions of Hulu come with ads.

Univision's popular shows include the current telenovela "Teresa" and variety show "Don Francisco Presenta."

The multi-year agreement is the first major online deal since Univision Communications Inc. settled with Mexican producer Grupo Televisa SAB late last year for the right to show Televisa programs to U.S. audiences over the Internet.

Hulu said it will launch the service with a revamped website later this year.

Hulu is up for sale by its owners, The Walt Disney Co., News Corp., Comcast Corp. and Providence Equity Partners. The length of the deal suggests that the arrangement would continue under new owners if a sale is completed soon.

Until now, Hispanic audiences haven't had a good reason to turn to Hulu on the Web. They represent 16 percent of the U.S. population — around 50 million people — a large untapped group for Hulu and its advertisers.

"It is a significant audience. It's young. It's vibrant. It's growing," said Andy Forsell, senior vice president of content acquisition for Hulu. "This audience is of huge interest to advertisers."

Univision turned to the online video service for its reach and advertising sales force, as well as the ability to benefit from Hulu's subscriber fees in a way that the free-to-air broadcaster has not enjoyed before. Hulu and Universal aren't saying how much Hulu is paying for the rights.

Popular English-language shows such as "Two and a

Half Men" can make millions of dollars from reruns. By contrast, Spanish-language telenovelas haven't profited from a rerun market until now.

Tonia O'Connor, Univision's president of distribution sales and marketing, said the deal with Hulu marks the first time its shows have a life beyond the initial broadcast.

O'Connor said Univision plans to explore other deals to reach Internet-savvy Hispanic audiences in the U.S. Next year, it also plans put shows on its own website but reserve them for subscribers who pay for their TV signals through distributors such as cable and satellite TV companies.

Univision experimented with online distribution last year by putting episodes of telenovela "Eva Luna" on its website a day after airing on regular TV.

The show's TV audience reached 5.2 million viewers in April, while drawing 790,000 online video streams and 318,000 streams from mobile devices that month.

Univision was allowed to market Televisa shows online after the two sides reached an agreement in October last year that settled a long-running dispute. Televisa agreed to invest \$1.2 billion in New York-based Univision in exchange for a minority stake, while Univision received the U.S. rights to distribute Televisa shows online, to cellphones and to video-on-demand services through at least 2020, on top of its ongoing TV broadcast rights. □

Folk legend Bert Jansch dies at 67

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LONDON (AP) — He was quiet, modest, uncomfortable in the spotlight — not looking for No. 1 hits or commercial ditties.

But when Bert Jansch picked up an acoustic guitar, people listened, often spellbound by his subtle innovation and mastery.

Jansch, who died of lung cancer Wednesday at the age of 67, was a virtuoso, hailed by the likes of Led Zeppelin's Jimmy Page, Canadian rocker Neil Young and Johnny Marr of the Smiths as a force to be reckoned with, and learned from.

He was at the center of the British folk revival of the late 1960s and early 1970s at a time when British music — led by the Beatles, the Rolling Stones and the Who — dominated much of the pop world.

In an era of earsplitting supergroups like Cream, known for their volume and pounding drums, he was a founder of Pentangle,

a nuanced, visionary mix of folk and jazz music that found a huge audience for its complex arrangements and stunning musicianship. His solo career was bookended by the outstanding "Bert Jansch" album in 1965 — recorded on borrowed guitars — and the critically acclaimed "Black Swan" CD released in 2006. Young, who earlier this year invited Jansch to open for him on an extended concert tour, said that Jansch created a new approach to the acoustic guitar much as Jimi Hendrix changed the sound of the electric guitar.

John Barrow, Jansch's U.K. concert booking agent, said Jansch remained an influential figure even when his music was out of fashion.

"I've been his agent for just over 10 years and when I met him he was at a low ebb and not really getting the recognition he deserved," Barrow said. "But it is a measure of the man that he had at that



Scottish folk guitarist Bert Jansch, in this file photo dated June 11, 2009, who is acknowledged to have influenced and inspired a generation of rock guitarists, has died at the age of 67, it is announced Wednesday Oct. 5, 2011. Copyright 2011 The

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point continued playing in a pub in Carnaby Street in London. Even at that time Liam and Noel Gallagher from Oasis were turning up at that pub to listen to him." Jansch, who was born in Scotland, was awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Music in 2007 by Edinburgh Napier University. Guitarist Haftar Medboe, a musician in residence at the university, said Jansch had a distinctive sound that was difficult to define. □

Chief Justice Roberts invokes guitarist Hendrix

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WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg invoked composer Aaron Copland. The chief justice countered with guitarist Jimi Hendrix. The high court's generational divide was on display Wednesday as the justices

heard arguments about whether Congress acted properly in extending U.S. copyright protection to millions of works by foreign artists and authors that had been in the public domain — meaning they could be performed and used in other ways without paying royalties. □

In defense of Romney



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Over the past several months, Mitt Romney has been an excellent presidential candidate. He has performed superbly in the debates. He has outorganized his rivals. He has relentlessly stayed on his core theme of putting Americans back to work. He has taken Rick Perry apart with a cold ruthlessness that is a wonder to behold.

And throughout this period of excellence, he has done almost nothing to endear himself to Republican activists. They have spent this season of excellence searching for anyone else: Palin, Trump, Bachmann, Perry, Cain and now (Please! Please!) Christie. On Nov. 4, 2010, Romney earned the support of 23 percent of Republican voters, according to the RealClearPolitics average of polls. Today, he also has support from 23 percent of Republicans nationwide.

The central problem is that Mitt Romney doesn't fit the mold of what many Republicans want in a presidential candidate. They don't want a technocratic manager. They want a bold, blunt radical outsider who will take on the establishment, speak truth to power and offend the liberal news media.

They don't want Organization Man. They want Braveheart.

The question is: Are they right to want this? Well, if they want an in-your-face media campaign that will produce delicious thrills for the true believers, they are absolutely right. But if they actually want to elect an effective executive who is right for this moment, they are probably not right. There are two important features of the current Republican moment. First, this is not a party riven by big ideological differences. This is not Reagan versus Rockefeller. Whoever wins the nomination will be leading a party with a cohesive ideology and a common set of priorities: reform taxes, replace Obamacare, cut spending and reform entitlements. The next president won't have to come up with a vision, just execute the things almost all Republicans agree upon.

Second, the challenges ahead are technically difficult. There's a reason that no president since Reagan has been able to reform the tax code. There's a reason no president save Obama has been able to pass health care reform. These are complicated issues that require a sophisticated inside game – navigating through the special interests, building complex co-

alitions. They are issues that require executive expertise. It's easy to see how Gov. Chris Christie of New Jersey, if he decides to run, could rally public support behind these priorities. He has an amazing ability to talk about policy in concrete, common-sense terms. He might easily be the Republicans' best option.

Yet Romney's skills are not to be underestimated. In the first place, he doesn't throw interceptions. As with quarterbacks, the chief job of a president is not to give the game away with unforced errors. Romney does not take excessive risks. He doesn't make decisions without advance preparation.

He does adapt. It has been stunning to see how much better Romney is as a candidate this time around than in 2008. This improvement must have come from a pretty thorough period of self-examination and self-correction.

He seems to know how to pick staff. His economic advisers include R. Glenn Hubbard of Columbia, Greg Mankiw of Harvard, former Sen. Jim Talent and Vin Weber, a former congressman. This is the gold standard of adviser teams.

He could probably work well with the leaders of his own party. If Romney were to be elected, he would probably share power with the Senate majority leader, Mitch McConnell, and the House speaker, John Boehner. These are not exactly Tea Party radicals. Instead, they are consummate professionals and expert legislators who could plausibly work together. More presidents have been undone by the congressional leaders in their own party than by members of the opposition.

Romney may be able to guard against ideological overreach. Each successive recent administration has overread its election mandate. Romney may be inauthentic, but he is rarely overzealous. He comes from a blue state. Candidates who come from states where their party is in the minority are much more likely to be elected. In government, it really helps to have a feel for how people in the other party think. Neither President Obama nor George W. Bush had this.

Finally, Romney can be dull. Political activists like exciting candidates. But most people, who have lower expectations from politics and politicians, just want them to provide basic order. They want government to be orderly so they can be daring in other spheres of their lives. Romney is the most predictable of the candidates and would make for the most soporific of presidents. That's a good thing. Government would function better if partisan passions were on a lower flame. It's exciting to have charismatic leaders. But often the best leaders in business, in government and in life are not glittering saviors. They are professionals you hire to get a job done. The strongest case for Romney is that he's nobody's idea of a savior. □



No Christie, no bargain



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Gov. Chris Christie of New Jersey isn't going to run. That's too bad. He had a chance to rescue the Republican Party from its dash to the cliff and make President Barack Obama a better leader, too.

Here's why: When the GOP presidential candidates were asked during their debate on Aug. 11 whether any of them would accept a budget deal that involved \$10 in spending cuts for every \$1 in tax increases – and they all said no – the Republican Party officially became a danger to itself and to the country. The GOP became a danger to the country because it announced, in effect, that it would not be a partner for the kind of Grand Bargain that many economists believe we need – something that provides more near-term investment in the economy that spurs job growth, combined with a credible long-term plan to increase tax revenues and trim entitlements so the country's debt-to-GDP ratio stays in a safe range. Such a Grand Bargain would simultaneously boost the economy and optimism by its economic logic and the mere fact of the two parties working together.

The GOP became a danger to itself because, as Tyler Cowen, an economics professor at George Mason University, pointed out in The New York Times on Oct. 2: "Cutting \$10 in spending for every \$1 in tax increases would result in \$9 in net tax reduction. That's because lower spending today means lower taxes tomorrow, and limiting the future path of government spending does limit future taxes,

as Milton Friedman, the late Nobel laureate and conservative icon, so clearly explained. Promising never to raise taxes, without reaching a deal on spending, really means a high and rising commitment to future taxes."

The GOP's refusal to contemplate any tax increase, added Cowen, "has brought what seems to be an extreme Democratic response: President Obama's latest budget plan is moving away from entitlement reform and embracing multiple tax increases on the wealthy. We may be left with no good fiscal options."

Indeed, Obama's decision to respond to GOP extremism, and the failure to conclude a Grand Bargain by moving to the left rather than to the center was a huge mistake. It means, as Cowen noted, that the country has no credible, long-term fiscal option before it now. Rather than shift back to his base with a weak fiscal plan, Obama should have taken his idea of a Grand Bargain to the country.

Many Americans understand that we are on the wrong track and, I believe, will support a big plan if it: 1) addresses our problem at the scale that is required; 2) shares the burden of cutbacks fairly – takes from defense programs and entitlements and asks the wealthy to pay more but everyone to pay something; 3) has a lofty goal to restore American greatness, not just get us through this crisis; 4) lays out an honest time horizon. This will take time.

In an essay last week in The Washington Post, the co-chairmen of the president's fiscal commission, Alan Simpson and Erskine Bowles, made exactly this point about their plan to cut the debt by \$3.9 trillion by 2020 – through raising tax revenues, cutting defense and increasing the age at which people would qualify for Social Security and Medicare.

"When we presented our co-chairmen's proposal to the rest of the fiscal commission in November," they wrote, "Washing-

ton insiders were shocked that we so aggressively exceeded our mandate. They were sure that the proposal would need to be scaled back to get a majority vote. It turned out that the opposite was true. The more comprehensive we made it, the easier our job became. The tougher our proposal, the more people came aboard. Commission members were willing to take on their sacred cows and fight special interests – but only if they saw others doing the same and if what they were voting for solved the country's problems. ... We would not have garnered that type of support had we not taken on defense, domestic programs, the solvency of Social Security, health care, and spending in the tax code all at once."

By refusing to embrace Simpson-Bowles as the basis of a Grand Bargain, and instead offering a watered-down version, Obama has left a gap for a sane Republican or independent candidate. Why was Christie popular among GOP moderates and independents? Because he seemed ready to tell hard truths that Obama has started to shrink from. Had Christie – a moderate on gun control, climate change and immigration who has also backed Simpson-Bowles – run and won significant support, he would have forced Obama back to the center.

Then, instead of a race between the Democratic left and the Republican right – in which the whole country would lose because the winner would not have had a mandate for the real change we need – we would have had a race between the Democratic center, independents and the Republican center. Then the whole country would win. Because whoever captured the presidency would have a mandate to actually implement some version of the Grand Bargain needed to get growth going again – and growth is the only sustainable cure for unemployment, the deficit and inequality. □

Last day of Paris shows is good, bad and ugly

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PARIS (AP) — The ninth and final day of Paris' grueling ready-to-wear marathon was reminiscent of Sergio Leone's classic 1966 spaghetti western, with good, bad and downright ugly displays.

With an average of 11

B.'s earnest and unself-conscious display came as a breath of fresh air. The French high street retailer has been churning out the workaday basics for decades, and she sees fashion shows not as make-or-break trials by fire but rather as an opportunity to have fun and promote young

that were trying their best to make themselves as undesirable as possible.

Paris is known as the most creative of the fashion capitals, and there are usually scads of brilliant shows here. This season was a bit of disappointment, with just a handful of collections that had people buzzing.



Models joke before Russian fashion designer Alena Akhmadullina's spring-summer 2012 ready-to-wear collection presented Wednesday, Oct.5, 2011 in Paris.

(AP Photo/Francois Mori)

shows on the calendar daily, every day is, of course, a mixed bag. But because many top fashion editors tend to cut out early, there are fewer top-tier labels on the last day and more emerging designers who don't have the deep pockets of the majors, which makes for an uneven experience.

Two shows Wednesday made it into the good category: Louis Vuitton — which won a pre-emptive round of pre-show applause for its set, a life-size spinning merry-go-round — and Elie Saab, the unstoppable red carpet steamroller who continued to churn out his signature ravishing, high-wattage gowns, this time in saturated jewel tones.

Most of the rest was bad, as designers of little means tried to imitate the slick, hyper-produced style of the luxury supernovas' shows, with sometimes snicker-producing results.

Amid all the cash-strapped pretentiousness, Agnes

and up-and-coming artists. Sure, the clothes that came down her catwalk weren't particularly noteworthy — just the kinds of cute printed summer dresses or tie-front cardigans that you might throw on to go buy milk or walk the dog. But there's something touching about a show where a puppet-maker and his clever dinosaur marionette take a bow, or the designer herself gets on the P.A. system mid-show to instruct guests on where they can buy the music.

The ugly was Miu Miu. The clothes were so frumpy and the styling so actively unattractive there was no way it was an accident, a collection that somehow went pear-shaped despite the designer's best efforts.

Miuccia Prada, the critical darling who's also behind Milan-based supernova Prada, is too smart for that. It actually felt like she was thumbing her nose at the fashion establishment, daring them not to like clothes

Dries Van Noten was a winner with his sheath dresses in colorblocked silk printed with photo and etchings. Givenchy got top marks for its tuned skirt suits, as did the frothy dresses with a dark side at Alexander McQueen.

The saga of former Dior designer John Galliano's fall from grace continued to captivate fashion insiders. The extravagant designer was dismissed from Dior last March after a video showing him praising Hitler went viral on the internet. His successor has yet be named, and speculation over who it might be continued to dominate the small talk benchmarks make as they wait — sometimes interminably — for shows to start. Trade publication Women's Wear Daily reported in August that Marc Jacobs had been tapped for the plum Dior post, but weeks have dragged on with no announcement, prompting some to think the negotiations have stalled. □



A model wears a creation by Lebanese fashion designer Elie Saab for his spring-summer 2012 ready-to-wear collection presented Wednesday, Oct.5, 2011 in Paris.

(AP Photo/Francois Mori)



A model wears a creation by Italian fashion designer Miuccia Prada for Miu Miu's spring-summer 2012 ready-to-wear collection presented Wednesday, Oct.5, 2011 in Paris.

(AP Photo/Jacques Brinon)